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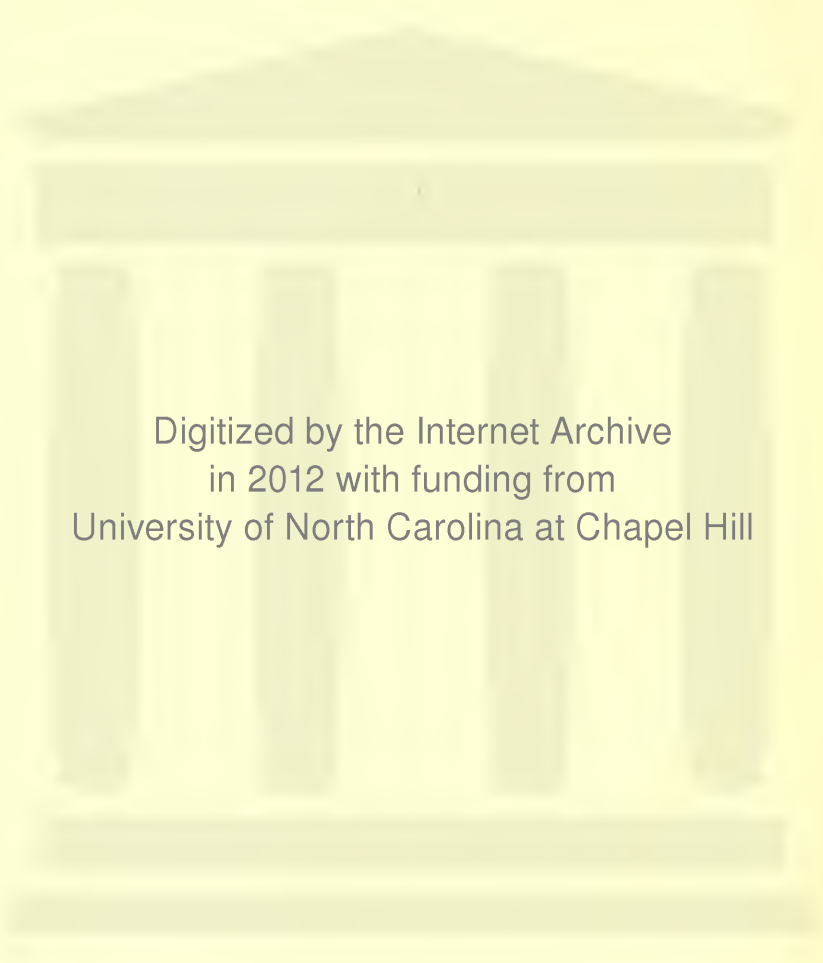


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Dear F. H. A. Members—GREETINGS:

This is the beginning of our new year and I hope it will be a very interesting one for every member and it will be if you take an active part in all the activities in your chapter. The national membership for 1949-50 was 286,351—of this number North Carolina had 14,266 members. We are proud of our steady growth in membership in the State F.H.A. but this number represents only about one-third of the girls enrolled in the homemaking classes. What can we do to interest more girls in becoming active members? Our program of work is full of wonderful suggestions that should be interesting to every member, study it carefully and make some reports to our news bulletin about your activities.

Cordially,

Clara Jean Hunter, President.

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Why the Family Bought a New Car

When I told my dad about my experiences trying to catch the train going to Kansas City, he said it sounded like something that happens only in the movies. I'll agree that it sounds fantastic, but believe me it really happened. That morning is one I will never forget as long as I live.

I was supposed to catch the train in Goldsboro at 5:00 o'clock Monday morning. Mother decided to go on to Tabor City and visit my grandmother for a week. Dad couldn't leave home at this time so at 3:00 o'clock that morning if you

had ridden by my house you would have seen my mother, my smallest brother, a colored man, to drive the car home from Grandmother's (Dad was planning to trade that week), and me piling sleepily into the car. But about 10 miles from home we woke up—flat tire number one had occurred! This didn't alarm us too much because we had left home early—just in case something happened. With a spare ready we were on our way in twenty minutes. With good luck we could still catch the train in Goldsboro. That car was taking its last drive but believe

me if those tires never turn again they were flying that morning. At 4:55 a.m. we were about 3 miles from Goldsboro when my heart touched my toenails, we had flat tire number two!

Here we were only 3 miles from Goldsboro with a flat tire and no spare. I was just sitting there petrified while mother was waving a car to stop. It stopped but when mother saw the three drunk men in it she decided I had better wait for another ride. In about two minutes a nice old farmer came by and mother sent me on to Goldsboro to find out about catching a plane or hiring a taxi

to catch the train. I could have done this except that in the excitement I left my bags in the car, three miles from Goldsboro.

When I rode into Goldsboro the first person I met was Miss Hinnant, my adviser. She was going to see me off on the train. I recognized her car but you should have seen her face when I jumped out of that car about 10 minutes after the train had left and with no bags. Mother had sent my seven year old brother with me—for protection I guess. Anyway, he got the idea I was going to leave him in Goldsboro so he let a yell that would scare Tarzan!

After thanking the farmer, Miss Hinnant, John, and I went to the train station to try to find out about a plane. The earliest one was at 1:00 o'clock that afternoon, of course, that was too late. So we jumped in her car to go to find mother but when we got to the car nobody was there. I got my bags and we started back to Goldsboro thinking that mother had caught a ride in to the train station. I hadn't the slightest idea where the colored man was. We went back to the train station but mother wasn't there. Hoping that she might have come in for help and gone back to the car, we started to the car again. This time the colored man was there and he said Mother had gotten a ride into Goldsboro to try to find some help. Miss Hinnant, John, and I decided to go back to the train station and wait. Sooner or later mother was bound to go there.

If you want to find peace and solitude, just go to the train station in Goldsboro about 5:30 in the morning. At least, it was quiet until we heard a blood curdling siren and the fire chief's red car drive up. Now the fire station was the last place on earth I expected to find mother, but that was the only place open at that hour so that's where she went. She had seen us go to the car both times but couldn't stop us. Finally one kind fireman took the chief's car and chased us down.

In the meantime mother had called the owner of the Firestone station. He was very nice and sent for the car. While two new tires were being bought, mother called the Raleigh-

Durham airport and made reservations for me on the 9:00 o'clock plane going to Greensboro.

Telling Miss Hinnant good-bye and thanking her for her help, mother took the wheel. I had to be at the airport at 8:45 at the very latest. Probably most people would have said it was impossible to make it, but my mother is a very determined woman and because she was driving, I got there.

I was rushed out to get on the plane with my make-up kit, one large bag, and my evening dress in a separate box. I learned as the plane waited that I couldn't take the box, so while everyone was waiting I opened my suitcase, stuffed my evening dress in, and boarded the plane.

Waving good-bye to mother I heard her say, "If you don't catch the train in Greensboro, fly on to Asheville." My last glimpse of John was when he was standing there with his mouth dropped open and his eyes about to pop out looking at the airplanes.

On the plane I relaxed for the first time since about 3:15 that morning. Everyone was nice and so interested in my trip. Dr. and Mrs. Frank Graham sat across the aisle from me and they were so nice. It was the first time I had ever been up so I was really excited.

Thirty minutes later the plane landed at the Greensboro-High Point airfield. I caught a taxi and walked into the Greensboro train station the same time the train came in. By this time, I felt as if I had already been to Kansas City.

That train looked like a golden carriage when I finally saw it and it was, because it carried me on a wonderful trip and gave me many golden memories.

You can guess what happened to the car when mother finally got it home! Now we own a new black Packard instead of the old red one, but I'll never see a maroon Packard that I will not think of catching that train and I'll remember why the family bought a new car.

Toddy Smith,
Historian.

Reminder

National F.H.A. Week,
November 12-18, 1950

F.H.A. Girl Wins Scholarship

Laura Frances Pope, of the Coats Chapter won the 1950 Farmers Cooperative Essay Contest over more than 2,000 contestants. Her essay stressed the importance of educating rural boys and girls in order that they might use their influence and training to make rural conditions better. In her essay, she dedicated herself to a life of service in a rural community. She declared: "The farm program of tomorrow cannot be developed and put into effect until we, the boys and girls of today, plan carefully the part that we are to play in this program."

She outlined for herself a five-part program as her contribution to better rural communities.

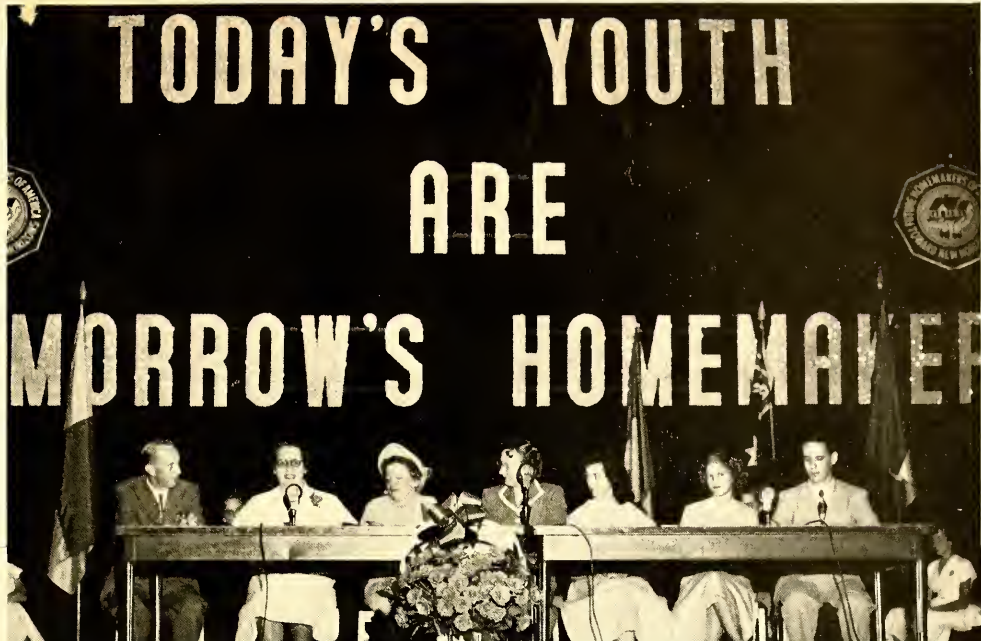
First, she said, she actually plans to live on a farm, and she called on other boys and girls to return to the farm after securing an education.

"Our farms," she declared, "are crying out for the educated youths who leave never to return."

After she receives training in one of the teacher colleges of the state, Miss Pope said she will return to a rural community where she will strive to give farm youngsters a clearer picture of the part they can play in making rural improvements.

"In the school in which I teach," she said, "I will endeavor to promote organizations such as the 4-H Club and Future Homemakers of America so as to build character and help fit young people for rural life."

Laura received a one year college scholarship and \$100 in cash. She entered Campbell College in September and is still undecided between music and home economics. In either field she will be an asset.



Left to Right: Mr. Vernon W. Welch, Montana, Dolores Pyle, North Dakota, Mrs. R. K. Bent, Arkansas, Miss Amy Holmblade, Michigan, Leader, Connie Bennet, Montana, Virgie Melton, North Carolina and Bill Varney, Kansas, discussing Future Homemakers in the Homes of America.

F.H.A. PROJECTS FOR YEAR

At the National F.H.A. Convention, it was decided to continue the following projects for the coming year:

1. International projects
 - a. World Christmas and Chinukah Festival
 - b. Adoption of Foreign Homemaking Classes
 - c. United Nations Day Observance — October 24, 1950
2. National F.H.A. Week — November 12-18, 1950
3. Families Together

Since there are three International Projects, perhaps your chapters may wish to select only one.

The World Christmas Festival literature describing the two plans for making up packages has been mailed to each chapter.

If your chapter has adopted a foreign homemaking class, it would be well for you to continue to send to the same school.

Some of the teaching supplies which are urgently needed are white sewing thread, unbleached muslin or other cotton material, sugar and feed sacks, knitting yarn, crochet thread, kitchen utensils and packaged staple foods. Don't forget that these students would also like to receive letters from your chapters.

The Families Together Project should encourage activities which keep families playing, working, planning, studying, earning and worshipping together. It should make for more happy family life for all. This is the project which everyone can individually participate in. Look over your chapter program of work and make plans to present some program on family life to your chapter and your school and, if possible, to your community. Then as a chapter member, resolve to make your family life most satisfying by some action on your part.

National F.H.A. Week — November 12-18. What activities have been planned for your chapter members? Take a good look at our State and National Program of Work. It is brimming over with ways to celebrate our "special week." Since everywhere F.H.A. members will be doing special things be sure to join in the spirit.

Make pen pals through writing these girls describing our ways of doing things together. I am including the report given on Projects at the National Convention.

Martha Fulcher,
Vice-President.

How do you like Caroline's new outfit? It was designed by Sybil Carlyle of the LaGrange Chapter?

"IF I WERE A FUTURE HOMEMAKER"

Talk made before the Second National Convention, Future Homemakers of America July 1, Music Hall, Municipal Auditorium.

By REV. W. E. PHIFER

"I am not unmindful of the high honor which has been conferred upon me in the opportunity of making this address. When the invitation to speak to two thousand young women was first received the only dubious person as to my acceptance was Mrs. Phifer. However, my deep desire to have the opportunity of seeing so many young women gathered together in one place prevailed, and consent from all quarters was gained. Happily for me I am here with you this morning.

"The theme of your program has intrigued me, 'Today's Youth and Tomorrow's Homemakers.' I am profoundly interested in both the youth of today and the world of tomorrow, and the two are so closely related that one can scarcely think of one without calling to mind the other. Some of us are worried a bit about each, and some of us are extremely optimistic about each. Those of us who have walked a little further along the road of life are prone to look back, a bit wistfully at times, and occasionally to find shortcoming of modern youth which we are too ready to condemn, pessimistically prophesying a woeful take into full account that a young person's faith is apt to seek a different expression than ours, for they are not stirred by the same thought forms, any more than sitting in a cozy chair by the fireside all day appeals to a normal, healthy, young, person. But in the sincerity of your purposes and the adventure of your living, I, for one, have every confidence.

"Therefore, I come to you this morning not so much that I may bring you advice for your future as that I may share with you the reflections of some years of experience in this matter of homemaking. Granted that my role has been the more humble one of husband and father, I have been a part of a home for slightly more than twenty years,

and have had occasion to observe the art of homemaking at first hand, while trying to contribute the best that I could towards the process, with the usual masculine ineptitude. Certain convictions have grown upon me with the passing of the years and these I would like to bring to you this morning. They may be grouped in four general areas of life: knowledge, faith, service and humility. We are privileged to live in a day when the accumulated wisdom of the ages is at our disposal. What we shall do with all the understanding and insights that are ours is a decision that we must make as individuals, but here is this accumulated body of fact which we may use or misuse as we choose. Man has developed his intellectual capacities to an almost unimaginable degree and secrets of the universe are being wrested from their hiding places almost daily. While it is true that much of this has been in the field of science, and not enough in the field of art and philosophy, it is an astounding accumulation that confronts us today. A young person of seventeen likely knows a great deal more than her grandmother did at the age of thirty-seven. High schools today offer many subjects that previously had been considered the work of college mentality, because our whole mental horizon has been so greatly enlarged in this present generation.

"The most conspicuous failure in this realm has come about because we have not seen clearly that knowledge is of no benefit if we try to divorce it from personality. The scientist who spends long hours in the laboratory studying cancer cultures does so not because he is interested in the culture, as such, but because cancer is a disease that destroys human life and he is one among many seeking a way to overcome this hazard. He may not, at the moment, realize such is the case, and it may seem to him that his entire goal is merely a clearer understanding of that which appears in the field of his microscope. But simply to know all about cancer makes no difference it is the application of

his knowledge to life that makes it significant and valuable. Knowledge must be nurtured and cultured by spiritual insights if it is to have the utmost value to mankind, for it is man himself who determines the proper use of that knowledge. What you know is not really so important as HOW you use your knowledge.

"Further, it should be pointed out that we must never consider knowledge alone as the answer to all of life's questions. You will never be able to build the sort of homes that deep in your hearts you would like to build if you depend upon the mere accumulation of knowledge as your foundation. The man who attempts to build a life solely upon that which he knows has a very shaky bridge upon which to cross the stream. Our capacity for knowledge is so sharply limited, and we are so finite in our abilities to absorb truth, that a life planned upon facts alone is sure to be a failure. To say that, you are going to plan a life only upon that which you know is to miss some of the most thrilling experiences that life offers.

"For example, there is the whole of the emotional life. Young lovers are wont to examine one another with an age old question, "But how do you know you love me?" There is no better answer to the query than the one most frequently given "Because you are you." When you break that down in analysis it is really no answer at all, yet all lovers will agree that it is as satisfying as rain after a prolonged drouth. Emotional life does not need a mathematical formula to prove its worth and make significant its values. One may have a very thorough knowledge of the weight, height, perhaps age, physical characteristics, and habits of life in general of the loved one. While these may have some contribution to make to the whole picture, they are never the basis of the love. That transcends mere knowledge and stands upon its own merits in an entirely separate field of human relations.

"Your years in high school, and the future years of college for many of you, are your grand opportunity to lay hold upon that which the ages can teach you. To be sure there are some

things that you may learn which will never prove of immediate value to you, but no man ever added a bit of wisdom to his collection without being a richer person because of it. Many things that we take for granted, such as radio, talking pictures, airplanes, would have been miracles to the past generation. Knowledge has produced them for us, developed them to a high degree of usefulness, and thus added immeasurably to the pleasure of living. Yours is a rich inheritance, make sure that you use it wisely.

"This leads me to second suggestion, your knowledge must be well mixed with faith. Every man must walk by faith or he will not walk at all. You simply cannot prove everything with which you deal by some scientific formula. Faith is simply the ability of a person to see a bit further than his reasoning power can take him, and it is of consuming importance in the building of a structure of life. There is no way that you may prove that music is beautiful. You may count the keys on the piano, examine the structure of the instrument, even calculate the number of vibrations in a note, but one of these things will make a Mozart composition harmonious to you. You may take a rose apart, count the petals, weigh the pollen, examine the different parts, and know all about the composition of the flower, but none of these will thrill your heart with the exhilarating sense of beauty that comes from a dew-laden rose.

"It is from faith that we drive the convictions by which we live. Every man must believe something. Some pitch their beliefs upon a low level, and then wonder why they seem fettered and bound in all that they attempt. Others allow their mind and heart to range free upon the wideopen spaces of faith, and they are the one on whom the world must depend for its progress. You must develop a seeing eye and a reaching heart, and these things come only to the woman who is willing to take much of life upon faith, and to walk confidently where the path cannot be seen.

"In becoming a good homemaker you will need faith in yourself. Of course, there is al-

ways a danger in developing an over amount of self confidence that makes one an insufferable egotist, but there is also a real danger in lacking the confidence in one's own abilities to such an extent that a creeping paralysis of inferiority destroys all possible usefulness. There may be some things that are impossible for you. In my own instance, I have no talent for art. It is always extremely difficult for me to draw even a straight line, and the blending of color on a canvass will always remain beyond my reach. Nor am I a musician. I can appreciate the fine art of those who have cultivated their voices, but for me to sing would make those in the immediate vicinity wish to 'gnaw on a file and flee to the wilderness.' No amount of faith in myself would ever serve to make me outstanding in these fields of human achievement. But by the same token, there are some things that I believe I can do, and God willing I shall keep on trying to do them to the best of my ability as long as I live. You may not be gifted with many talents, few people are, but a confidence in yourself will go far toward helping you make an adequate and proper use of that which you do possess. Do not try to prove these things—just use them, and you will be amazed at the rapidity of their development.

"Then, of course, you must have a good deal of faith in those round about you. The woman who believes that all of her friends are gossiping cats will find that their claws sink into her own flesh. The soured people of the world are the ones who have never found a good word to say for their neighbors. Believe in your family, in your friends, in your acquaintances, and the probabilities are that they will live up to the high expectations that you have for them. Speak a good word for those with whom you have to do, and such bread cast upon the waters will come back a thousand fold.

"This suggests yet a third attitude toward life that each of us should seek to realize, the attitude of humility. A young man once said to his father, 'Father, when I am as old as you are I hope I will know more than you do.' The father replied, 'Son, I



Hillsboro girls entertain children at pre-school clinic.

will go you one better. I hope when you are as old as I am you know as much as you think you know now.' Now I tell this not disparingly, for it is likely true that a youth of eighteen today knows more than a man of forty some generations ago. His experience may not be as wide, but his factual knowledge is much broader than formerly, and education today is so much more complete that knowledge comes quickly to those who wish it. But it would be a good idea for most young people to take stock of themselves once in a while to see whether or not they have fostered in their living the grace of humility; whether or not they realize that much of the world's effort is drudgery and no person is too good to have a share in it. Sometimes in our churches we sing a song that has a line in it, 'I'll go where you want me to go; I'll do what you want me to do.' Unfortunately, it is not always with deep sincerity that we intone the words. It is a perfectly human characteristic that each of us has a desire to be the leader, forgetting that without followers the leaders would have no one to inspire. The lesser activities of human life are of much more importance than we have sometimes allowed them, and every successful person should cultivate in his or her life the grace of humility sufficiently to share these lesser responsibilities.

"Now, in order to make all of this meaningful, there is yet one area that we should touch, and that is encompassed by the word service. If you would become a homemaker of which this organization could rightfully be

proud, if you would rear for yourself a monument of remembrance upon this earth, you must make a characteristic of life a willingness to be of service. Here again we cannot escape from the fact that much of this will be rendered in realms of comparative insignificance, and may not serve to make your name heralded from the river to the ends of the earth. Life is not a little bundle of big things, it is a big bundle of little things, and as long as we remain faithful to the little things we shall build a house that will stand in spite of the buffetings that may come. Do you remember the lines:

'Not what we have, but what we use,
Not what we see, but what we choose,
Not what seems fair, but what is true,
Not what we dream but what we do,
Not as we take, but as we give,
Not as we pray, but as we live,
These are things that mar or bless

The sum of human happiness.'

"The one word that threatens to drop out of the active vocabulary of men today is unselfishness. Not that we will discard the word itself, but we have too often hedged it about with our own desires, and failed to weave it into the warp and woof of human experience. You will not be able to build a brave new world, founded upon the rock of brotherhood, until you get an outlook beyond your own personal welfare and comfort.

"James Russell Lowell's poem, The Vision of Sir Launfall, illustrates the thought. When Sir Launfall was a young man he made a vow to seek for the Holy Grail. One fine spring morning he rode forth on his mission richly dressed, astride an excellent horse, and with a pouch well filled with pieces of gold. As the drawbridge clanged down across the moat the sun scintillated in a thousand prismatic rays from off his burnished armor. Riding across the bridge he saw there on the other side a leprous beggar who stretched out his hand to receive an alms. Sir Launfall reached into his pouch and selected a gold coin and tossed it to the beggar in scorn, and then rode on his way.

"The years passed and Sir



F. H. A. Girls Entertain at Hobo Party.

Launfall never discovered the Holy Grail. At last, an old man, he turned his steps back towards the castle that had once been his home. No longer did he have a pouch filled with gold, his clothing was tattered and torn, his horse was long since gone. Mellowed and enriched by the experience of the years of his fruitless searching, he came to the moat surrounding the castle to discover that the leprous beggar still lay there seeking an alms. Sir Launfall was a wiser and better man than the youth who had ridden forth so gaily many years before, and as the beggar asked for something Sir Launfall slowly drew from his clothing a mouldy crust of bread, which was all that he had in the world. He went down to the stream nearby and broke the ice, for it was in mid winter, and dipped up a gourd full of water for the beggar. Breaking the crust of bread in two parts, he gave one to the beggar as he handed him the drink of water.

'Twas a mould crust of course
brown bread,

Twas water out of a wooden
bowl—

Yet with fine wheater bread
was the leper fed,

And twas red wine he drank
with his thirsty soul.'

"And as Sir Launfall mused with a downcast face, he saw no longer the beggar at his side but the glorified Christ who spoke softly to him:

'Not what we gave, but what we share,

For the gift without the giver is bare;

Who gives himself with his alms
feeds three,

Himself, his hungering neighbor, and me.'

"Out of service of his nature has the world found its light and its salvation.

"If I were a Future Home-maker I think I should be very proud to have the opportunity of living in this generation, with all its accumulation of wisdom and understanding. I trust that I would be brave enough and wise enough to use these things in the weaving of a garment of service that would fit across the shoulders of the cold and the homeless, the helpless and suffering, and make of this world a cleaner, more descent, finer place in which to live. Your opportunities are boundless, may God grant that your strength shall be equal to your tasks. As you continue your journey I salute you, and wish for you God-speed along the way."

UNESCO DEFINES OBJECTIVES, PLANS NEW ACTIVITIES

The following statement of aims was adopted by the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at its recent meeting in Florence:

1. To eliminate illiteracy and encourage fundamental education.
2. To obtain for each person an education conforming to his aptitudes and to the needs of society, including technological training and higher education.
3. To advance human rights throughout all nations.
4. To remove the obstacles to the free flow of persons, ideas, and knowledge among the countries of the world.
5. To promote the progress and applications of science for all mankind.
6. To remove the causes of tensions that may lead to wars.
7. To demonstrate world cultural interdependence.
8. To advance through the press, radio, and motion pictures the cause of truth, freedom, and peace.
9. To bring about better understanding among the peoples of the world and to convince them of the necessity of cooperating loyally with one another in the framework of the United Nations.

10. To render clearing house and exchange services, in all its fields of action, together with services in reconstruction and relief assistance.

United Nations Day will be observed October 24, 1950. The theme for the day will be, "Today's Best Hope for Peace is U.N. and you!" This offers the F.H.A. a fine opportunity for chapters to plan school and community programs so that we may all have a better understanding of the purposes and functions of the United Nations.

If there are displaced families living in your community, plan to visit them and learn something about their customs. Remember they are lonesome for friendship and love. Try to imagine yourself in their place! What would you want your new neighbors to do? Then act at once so these folks will learn that America is a friendly nation!

Chapter Chatter

One hundred two Future Homemakers of America attended the **Carteret County Rally** Tuesday afternoon and night at the Morehead City High School and the Newport Chapter won the attendance prize, a red rose bush.

There was also a rose ceremony during which bushes were planted on the school lawn. One of the bushes was presented by the Beaufort Chapter. The band played "America the Beautiful" and "The Last Rose of Summer."

Members of the Morehead FHA who took part in the ceremony were Hilma Piner, narrator, Jean Davis, Lurah Mitchell, Violeta Willia, Mary Eaton, Jean Morton, and Anna Lee Bell.

Barbara Willia, Morehead FHA president, dedicated the bushes and corsages were presented to her and Jean Bowles, county president. The chorus sang "Our Red Rose."

A fried chicken supper was served in the home economics room. At the evening session Margaret Hall, of the Morehead City club, conducted the devotionals and G. T. Windell, principal, extended greetings.

County officers were installed by Miss Jo Ann Collier, Pikeville, State F.H.A. Historian. A quartet, from Newport, composed of Claudette Slaughter, Jessie Bell, Frances Craig, and Arminta Lilly sang "Moonlight and Roses." The accompanist was Miss Rachel Mundine.

The Newport chapter also presented the Future Homemakers' Song, music by Miss Mundine.

Following the business session, Mrs. Gilbert Potter of Beaufort, spoke on Life in England.

County officers, in addition to Miss Bowles, are Edith Lewis, Beaufort, vice-president; Clare Jean Oakley, Newport, secretary; Callie Bland, Smyrna, treasurer; Annette Guthrie, Morehead City, reporter; Faye Merrill, Beaufort, parliamentarian; Rachel Mundine, Newport, historian; Genevieve Gwynne, Smyrna, song leader; and Mrs. Florence Cordova, Morehead City, Adviser.

About 400 girls attended the **Annual Harnett County Rally** held at LaFayette High. An enjoyable program was presented. The new officers for the federation were elected as follows: President, Jennie Ruth Barbour, Dunn; Vice-President, Betty Hart, Angier; Secretary, Wilma Barnes, Coats; Treasurer, Emily Graham, Erwin; Historian, Ernestine O'Quinn, Boone Trail; Parliamentarian, Dorothy McDonald, Lillington; Reporter, Genevieve Johnson, LaFayette; Song Leader, Betty Lou Currin, Benhaven.

The new officers of the Morehead

City Chapter of the Future Homemakers of America were installed at the regular meeting of the regular meeting of the chapter in the Civic Center on Tuesday evening.

The meeting was called to order with the opening ritual, and after regular business, Betsy Wade and Jane Howerton, seniors, told of the points of interest in Washington which they visited last week.

The following officers were installed: Jean Davis, president; Hilma Piner, vice-president; Addie Jane Willis, secretary; and Myrna Hedgecock, treasurer; Janice Ray Lewis, reporter; Margaret Kittrell, parliamentarian; Annette Guthrie, historian; Mary Laura Guthrie, song leader; and Ann Darden Webb, pianist.

Miss Emily Knox, sophomore home economics student at New Hanover High School, received the DAR cash award for the best dress made in the home economics classes during the year.

The award was presented this week by the local Stamp Defiance Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Mrs. Charles Lee Bragg was chairman of the Girl Homemakers department which sponsors the award.

Miss Knox's dress, a tailored green butcher rayon with matching cloche, was selected from garments made by approximately 425 home economics students in the clothing classes throughout the year.

"Let it rain, let it pour," but the F.H.A. girls continue their work. Many girls in **Pitt County** were disappointed Tuesday morning, May 2, when they awoke to find it raining after having anticipated an afternoon at Whichard's beach with F.H.A. girls from every chapter in the county. But shortly after lunch the rain disappeared, therefore, the meeting was carried on as planned.

Mr. Bill Powell, of ECTC, directed the recreation. The installation service was very inspirational and gave the new officers the enthusiasm and vigor needed to improve the county meetings and make the work of the county more announced and worthwhile.

The new officers elected were: President, Shirley Newton, Farmville; vice president, Carolyn Branch, Greenville; secretary, Bar-



President of Taylorsville Chapter pinning emblem on first year girl during Initiation Ceremony.

bara Worthington, Winterville; treasurer, Joanne Padley, Ayden; historian-reporter, Bobby Ann Smith, Chicod; parliamentarian, Mary Burgess, Grimesland; song leader, Jean Cullifer, Bethel.

Moore County Future Homemakers of America held its last executive council meeting for the 1949-50 school year at Lakeview in June. County projects, yearbooks and rallies for the coming year were discussed. Accompanied by their F.H.A. advisers, the Vocational Homemaking teachers in the schools of the county were the following county F.H.A. officers who compose the council: president, Jean Muse; vice-president, Mary Ellen Hail; secretary, Catherine Cockman; treasurer, Patricia Farmer; reporter-historian, Dorothy McNeill; parliamentarian, Faye Johnson; song leader, Mary Ransdell; pianist, Louise Kennedy.

At the close of the business session, cokes and ice cream were enjoyed by those present.

On July 19th **Vass-Lakeview F.H.A.** Executive Council members met in the school Homemaking department. In accordance with requests made at the County Executive Council, these Vass-Lakeview Future Homemakers noted suggestions for county projects, rallies and yearbook which will be presented by their representative to the County F.H.A. Executive Council at its regular August meeting. A local unit program of work including program outlines, projects, and socials was written.

Vass-Lakeview F.H.A. officers who compose its executive council are: president, Lois Himesley; vice-president, Joanne Chappell; secretary, Polly Bridges, treasurer, Annie Ruth Hudson; parliamentarian, Winkle Laubscher; reporter, Kathryn Blevins; song leader, Mary Ransdell; historian, Mary K. Page.

During the social hours, home-made cookies and punch were enjoyed. The F.H.A. colors were used as a decorative touch for department atmosphere and refreshments.

The **Wincoff Chapter** of the Future Homemakers of America met Friday, September 1 at the school.

Officers elected were: president, Jo Frances Carpenter; vice-president, Joanne Clanton; secretary, Mary Sue Holden; treasurer, Jane White; parliamentarian, Barbara Landrum; historian, Nancy White; pianist, Shirley Griffin; and song leader, Margaret Dinnard.

This was the first meeting of the school term and was devoted to discussing plans for the year. Mary Sue Holden made a report on the June camp at White Lake. The group also discussed selling Christmas cards in order to raise money for the organization.

The Executive Council of the **Tri-High Chapter** of the Future Homemakers of America met with Mrs.

Mildred H. Reid, chapter adviser, at her home in Rutherfordton Thursday evening, to plan the program of work for the year.

Delois Hamrick, chapter president conducted the meeting. Each officer and committee chairman presented their plans for chapter activities. Planned events included the district rally in October, initiation and installation of new members, an exchanged program with the Harris F.H.A. Chapter regular monthly meetings and several socials. The Christmas party and April tea are the social highlights for the year. Community, school, and homemaking department projects were outlined by the project committee chairman Peggy Cudd. Lura Huskey, membership chairman, outlined a number of ideas for interesting new members in F.H.A. work. Julia Ann Francis, social chairman told of plans for a "Welcome Back to School," social for all girls in school.

Others present were: Jerry Mitchell, secretary; Patricia Hollifield, reporter; Jo Ann Rollins, song leader and Patricia Neal, chairman project committee.

The **Polkton F.H.A. Chapter** started this season off with a "bang" on September 11, 1950, at the first fall meeting, held in the Home Economics Department. What was the purpose of this meeting? We met for the purpose of electing the officers for this coming term. Here are the results of our meeting: president, Frances Smith; vice-president, Hazel Lee; secretary, Aileen Carpenter; treasurer, Cora Holman; reporter, Anne Martin; parliamentarian, Barbara Allen; song leaders, Katherine Allen and Minnie L. Turner; historian, Mildred Hildreth; program, chairman, Betty Thomas; adviser, Miss Elizabeth Tolbert; and our thoughtful and generous chapter mothers are: Mrs. Watts, Mrs. Holman and Mrs. Allen.

We have several promising new members this year and we are planning for a bigger and better club.

STEDMAN CHAPTER

The members of the Stedman Chapter have had a busy, as well as enjoyable summer. Our officers for this year have been installed and are ready to lead the chapter through another busy year. Our officers are President, Joann Blake; Vice-president, Joann McGill; Secretary, Betty Lou Graham; Treasurer, Joyce Faircloth; Reporter, Barbara Autry; Parliamentarian, Vada Lee Smith; Historian, Betty Joyce Hughes; Song Leader, Bettie Melvin; Pianist, Pat Jones.

Janice Strickland was chosen from our chapter by the Red Cross of Cumberland County to be sent to Green Code Camp at Hendersonville, N. C. for two weeks. A member from our chapter was chosen because of the outstanding work done by our members during the past year. Janice will be sent to other schools in the county to tell her experiences at camp.

Another highlight of our summer was the week at camp at White Lake. Several of our members and our adviser attended. Our chapter sends its new president each year so as to enable her to learn more about the total F.H.A. program.

Everything during the summer was wonderful but there was a Special Event that we will never forget—that was The Trip to Kansas City. We are proud that five of our members and our adviser were present for the Second National Convention. Surely a trip could not have been more enjoyable and educational than that one. Our members who made the trip are Joann Blake, Joanne McGill, Peggy Williford, Janice Strickland and Maxine Averitte with Mrs. Mary B. Frederick, our adviser. Maxine Averitte was on one of the programs at the Convention. We are especially grateful to the merchants and business men of Fayetteville and Stedman who donated money to help us finance our trip. We hope to be able to show them how much we appreciate their wonderful help.



Moore County F. H. A. Installation Service.

TAYLORSVILLE GIRLS WIN!

Not just the ball game, but better Mother - Daughter relationships!

At the first executive council meeting of Taylorsville F.H.A., Mrs. Madge Young, their adviser, suggested a soft ball game between F.H.A. girls and their mothers. Taylorsville, a little town in the foothills, has a newly acquired town playground. During the summer months children of all ages have enjoyed the swings and seesaws, and small boys have played ball on the ball field. Each evening the men have had soft ball games. So the girls decided it was time their mothers played a little. Some of the mothers were astonished on being asked to participate for they had never played ball. Others were over-anxious for they were great players in "their day." The night set for the game arrived and mothers, fat and thin, come to the town park bringing with them the whole family. If there were any with a feeling of hesitancy about playing, the feeling vanished amid the joking and laughter of organizing the team as to playing positions. Finally the game got under way. The fathers laughed heartily as they held the babies and little brothers rolled with glee as they saw the stupid plays of the mothers. The referees became so tickled they could hardly call the game. Everyone present entered into the spirit of joviality and agreed it was the most fun they had ever had at a ball game. Incidentally the score (as near as could be determined) was sixteen and twelve in the girls' favor. The women had so much fun they felt they had won. Everyone went home with a relaxed feeling of fellowship which only an evening of play can bring!

Margie Chapman,
Taylorsville Chapter Reporter.



Remember the two minutes allowed for "Newspaper dressing in the Fashion show at camp!"

NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA

WHITE STUDENT CLUB ORGANIZATION SEPTEMBER 1, 1949 to AUGUST 31, 1950

Receipts

Bank Balance September 1, 1949.....	\$1,698.18
Receipts from Fees (14,266 members @ \$.50).....	\$7,133.00
National Convention Receipts.....	1,006.50
Miscellaneous Receipts.....	348.53
Camp Fund Donations.....	160.00
Total Receipts.....	8,648.03
Total Balance and Receipts.....	10,346.21
Refunds—overpayment of fees.....	10.65
Total Balance, Receipts & Refunds.....	\$10,356.86

Less: Expenditures

National Dues.....	\$1,484.40
District Rally Expenses.....	120.00
Executive Board Expenses.....	186.04
Audit (1948-49).....	25.00
Postage, Printing and Supplies.....	631.48
Newsletter (4 Issues).....	3,781.54
Delegate Expenses to National Convention	1,131.50
Pictures.....	70.80
To Petty Cash.....	20.00
State Convention.....	447.03
Honor Awards and Pins.....	42.31
Miscellaneous (handbooks and Guides).....	5.03
Camp Fund Donations.....	160.00

Total Expenditures.....	8,105.13
Refunds.....	10.65

Total Expenditures and Refunds.....	\$8,115.78
Balance.....	\$2,241.08
Petty Cash Balance.....	8.49
Total Balance.....	\$2,249.57

Reminder

National F.H.A. Week,
November 12-18, 1950

Future Homemakers of America

CREED

We are the Future Homemakers of America
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope,
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking
Old and precious values.

For we are the builders of homes,
Homes for America's future.
Homes where living will be the expression of everything
That is good and fair.
Homes where truth and love and security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

We are the Future Homemakers of America.
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope.



"The homes of tomorrow are in
the hands of the youth
of today"

CAROLINE SAYS



TIME FOR EVERYTHING

Take time to **work**—it is the price of success.
Take time to **think**—it is the source of power.
Take time to **play**—it is the secret of perpetual youth.
Take time to **read**—it is the foundation of wisdom.
Take time to be **friendly**—it is the road to happiness.
Take time to **dream**—it is hitching your wagon to a star.
Take time to **love** and be loved—it is the privilege of the gods.
Take time to **look around**—it is too short a day to be selfish.
Take time to **laugh**—it is the music of the soul.

Old English Prayer.



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Puddings steaming, candles
gleaming,
Branches weighted down.
Christmas on the farms and
ranches!
Christmas in the town!
Christmas on the mountain
ridges!
Christmas on the sea!
May your Christmas day be
merry
Wheresoe'er you be!

—Selected.

North Carolina Association of Future Homemakers of America

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RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA



FHA Exhibit at North Carolina State Fair.

Future Homemakers Grow Step By Step

Presented at 1950 National Convention

Cast: FHA members and adviser, dressed in school clothes.

Connie is working toward her Chapter Homemaker degree (10th grade).

Anne is working toward the Junior Homemaker degree (9th grade).

Mary Lou thinks she might like to work toward a degree (9th grade).

Miss Sanford, The homemaking teacher and chapter adviser. Scene: Homemaking room, Whitmore High School.

Connie and Anne are sitting at a table looking at the Chapter FHA scrapbook; Miss Sanford has stopped to talk to them a minute before going on to make some telephone calls. Mary Lou walks up to Miss Sanford.

Mary Lou: Miss Sanford, could you talk to me now about beginning to work for a Junior Homemaking degree?

Miss Sanford: Mary Lou, I'm sorry, I'm just on my way to call Mrs. White and Mrs. Dickson about helping the FHA with our story telling project at the library. I must call them before four. Could you come in tomorrow noon?

Connie: Maybe Anne and I could help her now.

Miss Sanford: Fine, if you will. I'll be back in ten or fifteen minutes and if your questions aren't all answered by that time we can talk a bit more. (Miss Sanford leaves and Mary Lou sits down to talk with Connie and Anne).

Connie: I'm glad you're going to work toward a degree, Mary Lou. I've surely learned a lot working toward mine.

Mary Lou: Well, I'm not really sure I want to work for a degree yet. I just thought I'd find out more about it. Do you really think I should?

Anne: Connie and I can't tell you that. Don't you remember that at the first of the year Miss Sanford said we'd each have to decide for ourselves whether we should work toward a degree? We could tell you some of the things we've done, though.

Mary Lou: What I want to know is, just what do you think you've gotten out of working toward a degree?

Anne: Well, for instance I don't quarrel with my brother anywhere near so much as I used to. We used to fight all the time. He'd tease me and I'd get mad.

Mary Lou: That wouldn't help me. I don't even have a brother.

Connie: You wouldn't do the same things for a degree as Anne would anyway, silly! That's one thing Miss Sanford explained to us. Everyone has to take a good look at herself, her home and her chapter before she can decide what she should work on. Each of us is different.

Mary Lou: What did you do, Connie?

Connie: I've done some things and I still have a lot more I want to do for my Chapter Homemaking degree. For one thing I've been writing news articles about chapter activities for the school paper. Miss Johnson is helping me. We thought this was one way I could learn to write better—and it would help the chapter, too.

Anne: You helped collect clothes to send to our family in Italy, too, didn't you?

Connie: Yes, I really feel that we are doing something to help that family when we send them things they need. I also gathered information about the part of Italy where they live. I've been writing letters to them too. Gives me more practice in writing better.

Mary Lou: You've helped with lots of the FHA meetings,

I know. You've done a lot more than Louise has. She's working toward a Chapter degree, too, isn't she?

Connie: Yes, she is. But you should have been there when Miss Sanford explained that we shouldn't compare what two people do for a degree. You should just compare what they could do when they started with what they can do now.

Anne: I think that's right too. Louise has to work a lot at home and she hasn't as much time as I have to work on chapter things. Have you noticed how much more she speaks up in FHA meetings than she did?

Connie: She said that was one of the things she was working on as part of her degree work. That's one part of degree work I like. Everyone can plan how she can improve as an individual and what she can do to help improve her home, chapter, school, and even the world.

Mary Lou: I'd like that. But how would I tell what I need to work on?

Anne: Well, you might ask yourself what are the things that bother you. That's how I decided to work on getting along better with my brother. I talked it over with my mother and she thought it would help, too. She was the one who gave me the idea of talking with Bill about those planes he makes. I've learned a lot about planes, by the way.

Connie: I think you get ideas of what to work on in homemaking class, too. That was where I got the idea of re-finishing that chair for our living room.

Mary Lou: Connie, do you do different things when you work toward the Chapter Homemaking degree?

Connie: In a way they are different and in a way alike. You see, what you do for your second degree builds on what you've done for the first one. For the Junior Homemaker degree I learned about the FHA organization and what it stands for. And for the Chapter degree I've been helping other people to know about FHA and our homemaking class, too. I think these things make me a better FHA member.

Mary Lou: Say, what about

that key you get to wear on your pin when you become a Junior Homemaker?

Connie: Miss Sanford helped us understand that, too. That is the way the chapter recognizes us for the improvement we have made and for our contribution to our homes and schools.

Mary Lou: You know that ceremony when you got your degree—that's when I began to think about working for a degree.

Anne: It is an impressive ceremony. I got goose pimples. And every one of those girls had done a lot to make herself and others better.

Mary Lou: Say, how do you know when you've done enough to earn a degree? (Miss Sanford comes in. . .)

Miss Sanford: All your questions answered, Mary Lou?

Mary Lou: A lot of them—I just asked how do you know when you've done enough to earn a degree.

Miss Sanford: (Sits down at the table). Well, maybe we can explain it this way—suppose we think a little about how we learn in homemaking class. Remember our study of personal grooming—how we set up our goals, then checked our progress at different times to see if we were making any improvement? Remember those diaries we kept for several weeks?

Mary Lou: Yes, I remember—I took learning how to have more attractive hair and keeping my clothes neat and clean as my two things to work on.

Anne: I remember that we had some little check lists, too, which I used to find out what I needed to work on.

Mary Lou: In my diary I kept a list of everything I did to keep my hair nice and to keep my clothes neat and clean. Also, I kept comments which my mother and my friends made about my hair and clothes.

Miss Sanford: I believe you kept your diary for about six weeks, didn't you, Mary Lou?

Mary Lou: Yes, I think so. Then at that time I felt I had habits started which would stick by me, so I didn't have to write things down any more.

Connie: You probably talked over your diary with Miss San-

ford before you quit keeping it, didn't you? We did that when I was studying grooming in ninth grade homemaking.

Miss Sanford: Yes, most of the girls like to talk things over to see if we all think they have really made progress.

Mary Lou: I think we are rather far away from degrees—what is the connection?

Miss Sanford: Well, you see, in working toward a degree you set goals and check progress just like we did in class. Do you want me to go into a little more detail about the degrees now?

Mary Lou: Yes, please, I really want to know how to get started.

Miss Sanford: Connie, you and Anne can help me with this. First, there are certain things which every FHA girl wants to do if she is a good member. These are: first, be an active member of her chapter; second, take homemaking in school and third, understand what the homemaking program in her school is all about.

The Junior Homemaker degree says that you will need to be an active member of an FHA chapter for one semester, satisfactorily complete one semester of homemaking, and be able to show that you understand the goals of the homemaking program. This last means that you must know what homemaking education includes—personal grooming, care of children, getting along with friends and family, foods, clothing, and so forth.

Mary Lou: That's easy. I have done all those.

Connie: Then, Mary Lou, if you are an active FHA member you will want to understand what the FHA is all about.

Anne: To meet this Junior Homemaking standard, you need to know the Creed by heart so you can use it at chapter meetings, and know what the emblem, colors and flower stand for. This makes the FHA really mean a lot to you.

Mary Lou: I think I know the Creed, but I couldn't do the others.

Anne: Also, you need to show that you understand our eight

purposes. These are really what our FHA stands for.

Mary Lou: I have some idea what they are. I remember the girls said them as they lighted the candles at the installation ceremony, didn't they? They sounded wonderful.

Miss Sanford: These next standards or qualifications are not quite as set as the ones we have mentioned. The first one says you will need to make a real contribution to your chapter program.

Connie: That is the one I'm working on in my news writing. You remember I said I was writing articles about chapter activities. This helps me and my chapter too. I don't know, maybe I'd like to be a writer some day.

Anne: Members do different kinds of things—some of them fix an FHA nook, help on a committee, or help others understand the organization. But whatever they do, it is supposed to help both the member and the chapter. You probably can think of lots of things to do.

Miss Sanford: Let's look at another part of the Junior Homemaker's work—this one is different. It says that one needs to do something to help her home and family. As stated, it reads, "she shows evidence of contributing to satisfying family life."

Anne: I think learning to get along with my brother helped our family to be happier . . . hope so, anyway! But I did some other things at home too.

Mary Lou: What did you do?

Anne: Well for one thing, I learned to keep my own room clean and in order. It used to be such a mess my mother was ashamed of it.

Connie: I've taken the Saturday lunches to fix. Often times my Mother goes shopping in the morning and my Dad isn't home on Saturdays, so I fix lunch for my Mother, brothers and me. It is fun and I've really learned a lot.

Mary Lou: I'm sure there are lots of things I could do at home. My mother is always fussing at me because I don't help much.

Miss Sanford: There is still one more thing you need to work on to earn your Junior Homemaker Degree—you need to

work on something to improve yourself. I think we have talked enough about that so it shouldn't be hard, should it?

Mary Lou: No, I guess there are lots of things I can do to improve myself.

Miss Sanford: So, that is a little picture of some things you will try to do to become a Junior Homemaker—have we explained everything enough? Maybe I should repeat them now all together:

1. Be interested in the study of homemaking by taking homemaking in school for at least one semester and knowing what we learn in home making.

2. Be an active member of an FHA chapter for at least one semester, understand what the FHA stands for and help to make a better chapter program.

3. Do something to improve yourself.

4. Do something to improve your home and family. Probably you would also want to do something to help your community although this is not especially listed. Any questions?

Mary Lou: No, I don't think so—could I read over that list to get it stuck in my mind?

Connie: You will have fun working on the things which will make you a Junior Homemaker, Mary Lou. It isn't so hard and it really gives you the feeling that you are growing step by step—in being a better all around chapter member, family member, community member—and just a better girl, I guess.

Anne: Yes, you see, being a Junior Homemaker is the first step; then being a Chapter Homemaker, the second step, and so on.

Miss Sanford: Suppose you study over the list, Mary Lou, then if you really think you can grow by working toward being a Junior Homemaker, you fill out your Declaration of Intention—here is a copy of that. After you have done that, if you come in, I'll help you make a plan for working on each of the goals which we have talked about. As we work together we shall try to find ways to show just how much you have grown. Maybe your folks and friends

can also help you decide on your goals and on your rate of improvement.

Connie: That is the helpful part—talking things over with others. They can really help you to see if each goal or standard has been reached. When that happens then you are ready to become a Junior Homemaker. The chapter then gives you the little key to wear on your pin. It's really a thrill because you feel you have learned so much—and when others also get their pins—it makes one feel the FHA is just wonderful, because it helps you so much!

Mary Lou: I'm getting real excited! May I read this stuff and then see you again?

Miss Sanford: When, girls?

Anne: I could stop in tomorrow noon for a little while—my bus leaves right after school.

Connie: I can too.

Miss Sanford: Shall we say 12:30?

Mary Lou: O. K., and thanks so much. I'll go now and read this over. See you.

Anne and Connie: See you tomorrow.

Questions for Discussion

1. What did these girls mean when they said they "grow step by step" when working on the degrees of achievement?

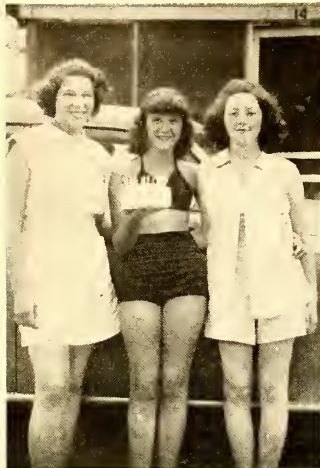
2. What were the reasons which these girls gave for working on a degree? What are some other reasons for working toward a degree?

3. What did they mean by setting goals and working toward them?

4. What will be the different things which Mary Lou will need to do to become a Junior Homemaker?

5. She will follow the same steps when she works toward these three standards—making a contribution to the chapter, contributing to satisfying family life, and improving herself? What are these steps?

6. If Mary Lou tries to do all these things which are listed as standards for the Junior Homemaker Degree, how will it be decided whether or not she earned the degree?



Ruth "Jeanne" Allen, Betty "Jean" Wilson and Dorothy "Jean" Gooch, all had birthdays during their week at camp. They are from Creedmoor Chapter and occupied Cabin 14 at White Lake.

Degree Guides

All advisers and chapter members will be interested to know that National Headquarters now has available guides to help in evaluating the achievements of the FHA members who are working for degrees. The primary purpose of the two publications is to provide guidance at the local school level in improving practices in evaluating the growth of students. They are made available with the understanding that they may or may not be used in the local FHA program, advisers and members see fit. States are free to develop their own evaluation procedures or to use the material for general evaluation purposes not necessarily connected with degree work.

The titles are "A Guide to Help You Grow as a Future Homemaker" and "A Guide for Helping Students Evaluate Their Own Growth." Chapters are encouraged to order copies for their own group at one time. Each guide sells for 25 cents. Send your orders to:

Future Homemakers of America
Office of Education
Federal Security Agency
Washington 25, D. C.

Since it will take several weeks to fill an order, send for copies immediately. Chapter members who are working for the Junior and Chapter degrees will want personal copies for their use.

Bits of Interest

Last year the Durham FHA Chapter put on a radio program about their work. One listener wrote as follows: "I just heard the program the Home Economics Club had on the radio and wanted to write and tell you how much I enjoyed it. I laughed when the girls told about refinishing the sewing machines because I remember only too well the hours I scraped on the machines trying to get the paint off. All the paint that I did get off went straight from the sewing machines onto my clothes."

"One of the girls said something about how much fun they had cooking, etc. I agreed with her, but how I hated that cleaning up. Many a time I've stood in the kitchen up to my elbows in soap flakes as I watched all my friends getting out of school and going up to the drugstore. I pity the poor girls who have home economics last period because I know how many times I had to stay after school to clean up. You'd be proud of how neat I keep my room here. We have room check twice a week and we always make an 'A.' Of course that means that we clean up our room every Monday and then for the remainder of the week my roommate and I sleep on top of the covers so we won't have to make the beds up every day, and we dress and undress in the closets so that we won't accidentally leave clothes lying around. The room does get kind of dusty every once in a while but if the other girls would pay attention to our sign on the front door which says 'Take off shoes before entering' we'd get so we'd never have to worry. Never say that a girl who takes two years of home ec. in Durham High School isn't the ideal housekeeper."

"Give my love to all the girls who were in my classes. Hope you all are having as much fun this year as I had last year in your class. It really made my high school life complete.

Love,
Pat Dula.

Honorary Degrees

The State Executive Board has the privilege of conferring as many as four honorary degrees on state level each year. These degrees are conferred as a token of appreciation to individuals who have promoted the growth and development of youth through their personal interest and professional influence, especially through the homemaking program and other endeavors which promote statewide interest in the needs and interests of youth.

Your Executive Board developed the following criteria for selection of candidates:

Criteria for Selecting Honorary Members

1. Has promoted the work of the FHA.
2. Has promoted personal and family development of young people in schools in North Carolina.
3. Is interested in and has contributed to the advancement of the FHA organization.
4. Has been a member of the FHA and has through personal and professional development reflected credit upon the organization.

If there are persons in your community whom you think deserve this recognition send their names and qualifications to the State Adviser.

OUR COVER

Grace girls making Christmas wreaths. They are sitting left to right, Billie Hyatt, Evelyn Sprinkle, Peggy McDowell, Joan Glenn, Ida Phillips, Rhoda Constance, and Hazel Crawford. Standing left to right, Ruby Arrowood, Betty Anderson, Etta Mae Langford, Beverly Hawkins, Mrs. Smith, Margaret Green, Helen Coffey, Virginia Crabtree, Florence Bryan, Barbara Hensley, Marion Swilling, Sara Roberson, Vesta Herron, and Nelly Tesner.

"Will My Motion Be Carried?"

Future Homemakers did you ever stop to realize just what you gained from various meetings or why meetings are even important? If you stop and think for a moment you will realize that meetings have more meaning than just something to pass the time away. They help you to be able to express your opinion, bring about coöperation, create a friendly air, and provide a way for all members to work toward a single goal.

Do your meetings meet the qualification or do they lag behind on some particular point? Maybe they lack pep. If that is your trouble why not follow your parliamentary rules? These rules of order will get you through a meeting quickly.

Parliamentary procedure may sound rather technical but actually it is the happy way of doing things. It is helpful in running any meeting smoothly and in a business like manner.

Parliamentary law is as old as the idea of popular government. It can be based on four principles. One, justice and courtesy to all; two, one thing at a time; three, the rule of the majority; and four, the rights of the minority.

The president and the parliamentarian should be well versed on parliamentary law. Not only should they know the rules but the members as well must be on their toes to see that justice and courtesy is extended to all.

Your Parliamentarian is a guide to questions concerning parliamentary law. Keeping the constitution up to date and seeing that chapter meetings are conducted systematically is only half of her duty. As important as these is the ability to interpret, explain, and correct errors of procedure made during meetings.

Now as never before we need to use our rules of order to promote the sharing of ideas and coöperation. I move that we strive toward higher goals in our future meetings. Future Homemakers, will my motion be seconded? If so, will it be carried?

Katie Lee Pittman,
State Parliamentarian.



Pitt County Fair Exhibit. Left to right, Supt. J. H. Conley; Shirley Newton, Farmville, President of Pitt County FHA Federation; Mrs. Castelloe, Winterville Chapter Mother; and Toddy Smith, FHA State Historian.

Initiation fun at Shelby High.



Exhibit of Christmas toys put on by Black Creek FHA members for benefit of local home demonstration club.

OUR DISTRICT RALLIES

DISTRICT I

October 14

CRESWELL

Seven hundred FHA delegates and visitors from District I attended their Rally which was held in the Creswell High School.

Miss Toddy Smith of the Bethel chapter, who is State Parliamentarian and also served as District President for District One, called the meeting to order and conducted the opening FHA ceremony. The Ayden FHA chapter conducted the devotional. Miss Lona B. Weatherly, a Creswell FHA chapter mother, extended greetings to the visitors.

During the business session Miss Peggy Wiggins of the Murfreesboro chapter called the roll. Miss Julia Leggett of the Aulander chapter gave the treasurer's report.

Miss Frances Carr of the Plymouth FHA chapter rendered a beautiful vocal solo Indian Love Call.

The guest speaker for the morning the Rev. Paul B. Nickens of Plymouth was introduced by Miss Betty Riddle of the Plymouth chapter.

The Rev. Mr. Nickens spoke on the subject Make Your Life Count, stressing the importance of the FHA members making their life count for the highest and best things.

"Let me urge each of you future homemakers to do at least three things, first live each day to the fullest, second accept and use whatever life brings you and refuse to live your life on a low level. Live your life at its best for the sake of others," he urged.

A special feature was a tap dance number by Miss Dotdee Jones of the Farmville chapter.

Miss Clen Twiddy of the Edenton chapter presented the candidates placed in nomination for the office of State Parliamentarian who were the following: Doris Etheridge of Central, Juanita White of Perquimans; Katherine Woodard of Scotland Neck and Betty Castelloe of Winterville.

The luncheon was held at 12:15 o'clock in the various classrooms of the school which

were very attractively decorated. A delicious chicken salad plate with ice cream and cup cakes were served.

The afternoon session opened with a vocal solo Alice Blue Gown by Miss Agnes Congleton of the Aurelian Springs chapter. Miss Dot Hunning of Roanoke Rapids gave a tap dance number and a cow girl chorus composed of Myrtle Jackson, Ann Mayo, Frances Carr, Janice Somerville, Mary Brown, Joan Nooney and Jane Crofton, all of Plymouth presented several songs and skits.

The return of the Charleston was presented by Janie Edmondson and Lecky McWhorter of the Bethel chapter. Miss Millie Tripp of the Ayden chapter, gave a reading, The Frivolous Girl in Church. A baton solo was rendered by Miss Geraldine Wheeler of Williamston and a piano solo was rendered by Miss Evelyn Smith of Greenville. The talent show was concluded with a vocal solo by Miss Frances Carr of Plymouth who sang If I Loved You.

Miss Dorothy Lee Jones, public school music teacher of the Creswell High School led the group in several songs.

The highlight of the afternoon session was the election of Miss Katherine Woodard of Scotland Neck as State Parliamentarian and also District President with

Miss Betsy Castelloe of Winterville being elected alternate.

Also attending the rally were: Mrs. Myrtle D. Stogner of Scotland Neck, district adviser, and Miss Mabel Lacy of Greenville, district supervisor.

DISTRICT II

October 7

KINSTON

The giant rally of District II began early Saturday morning at Grainger High School, with around 1,000 FHA girls, advisers and chapter mothers in attendance, representing 43 FHA chapters from 10 Eastern Carolina counties.

Katie Lee Pittman of Richlands, State Parliamentarian, presided over the forenoon session. Kinston Superintendent Jean P. Booth spoke on "Japanese Children" and welcomed the group to Kinston. The Grainger High School band played during registration of delegates.

A barbecued chicken dinner was served at the Kinston Airport, when the group was entertained by Mrs. Jackie Hale's square dance team from Lovit Hines Recreation Center.

The afternoon session at Grainger High opened with a talent show, with Charles McCullers, manager of the Kinston

All girl chorus at District II Rally.



Chamber of Commerce, as master of ceremonies. Members of the Lee Woodward chapter presented a skit in Negro dialect; Warsaw chapter members gave a tap dance; one of the Pikeville members presented a humorous reading; a dance team from the LaGrange chapter performed a Spanish dance; and Olena Grant from Wheat Swamp sang several solos. Between acts, McCullers gave the delegates a preview of what the huge new DuPont nylon plant at Graingers will mean to Eastern Carolina.

Pearline Ennis of Goldsboro was elected State Reporter to serve during the coming year.

Suzanne Davis of Moss Hill was runner-up in the election.

Members of the chapters from the two host counties, Greene and Lenoir, presented an interesting skit, Recreation by the Dozen, which portrayed ways in which a family can have fun together at little expense. The skit was directed by Leah Moseley, home economics adviser at Grainger High, who was presented a gift for her services.

The rally ended with the singing of the FHA Prayer Song by an all-district chorus, comprised of about 40 girls representing each chapter in the district. The chorus was directed by Olena Grant of Wheat Swamp.

DISTRICT III

October 7

LAURINBURG

With Virgie Melton, State Reporter, of Wilmington presiding, about 425 delegates attended the fall rally of the District III, Future Homemakers Association, held in Laurinburg, October 7.

Hostess chapters with Laurinburg were: Ellerbe, Hamlet, Wagram, Laurel Hill, Raeford and Rockingham. The stage was attractively decorated with the FHA flower, red roses, and the emblem, as well as long leaf pine. While the delegates were registering, the Laurinburg Band, in kilts, played several enjoyable numbers.

Registration was handled by the Cameron Chapter, while Charlotte was responsible for the badges.

After the invocation by the Red Springs Chapter, Bobby Snead, President of the Laurin-

burg Student Government Association, welcomed the delegates. Mr. W. H. Coble, principal of Laurinburg High School, also brought greetings. The response was given by Betty McDonald of Rockingham.

The Wagram Chapter, using a large poster, led the group in saying the creed. Several songs learned at the National Convention were used as "relaxers."

The main feature of the program was a picture "Are You Popular?" followed by a panel discussion. Members of the panel were a minister and a high school from Laurinburg; a chapter mother and a high school girl from Wilmington.

The Elizabethtown Chapter was in charge of the voting and after much campaigning, Joan Kelly of Cameron, was elected State Treasurer for 1951-52. Naomi Melton of Wilmington was alternate.

A skit on the Kansas City Convention was given by several girls from Stedman. A tap dance by a young Laurinburg girl, was enjoyed by all.

This year instead of a National Convention, there is to be a Work-Shop. It was proposed and voted that each chapter be responsible for fifteen cents per member to help send the officer and district adviser to this workshop.

The lunch, which was bountiful was served picnic style.

Miss Mary Hines Leonard, Assistant Supervisor of Home Economics Education, was present and gave an inspiring talk.

The meeting adjourned after saying the FHA prayer.

DISTRICT IV

November 11

DURHAM

Five hundred and fifty members, advisers and chapter mothers met in the Central Junior High for our district rally with Lorena Pace, State Treasurer, presiding. After the opening ceremony, the Four Oaks Chapter members led the devotions and talked on Thanksgiving. Anne Jones and Mr. Cook welcomed us to Durham and their chapter members graciously

looked after our needs during the day.

Nellie Cobb, Henderson Chapter, acted as secretary during the day. The District voted to pay 15 cents per member to take care of the expenses of delegates to the National Leadership Conference.

Then the campaign managers presented the four candidates who were running for the state office of secretary. The final runoff showed Betty Talbert of Franklinton as winner with Peggy Lou Jones of Cary as alternate.

Harriet Harris, of Franklinton, led the group with several relaxers, while Lorena Pace, Jean Puckett, Betty Rand, Martha Eaton, Mary Harrison Cooke and Miss Dennis gave a graphic description of the return home on the train from the convention in Kansas City.

During the entertainment period of the program, Malda Gray gave a piano solo, Jennie Sue Parrott, Gerald Rene Hite, Jean Bullock, Gwen Sherman and Frances Clayborn of Granville County chapters presented a skit "At the Ice Cream Parlor." Margaret Ann Mitchell, Littleton Chapter, accompanied herself with a rendition of St. Louis Blues. Not to be outdone by this "stealing of thunder" was Mildred Cameron of Broadway who presented St. Louis Blues with her own interpretation, accompanied by Sarah Buchanan. Variations in the program were some dancing —tap, ballet and acrobatics by Betty Barnhart and Betty Sellers of Sanford Chapter. A bountiful picnic lunch was spread in the school cafeteria and everybody enjoyed this time of relaxation.

Hugh Morson Chapter invited the district to meet with them in 1951. The Courtesy Committee gave a good report. Lorena then presented the new state officer, Betty Talbert to the group and closed the session with the ritual. Despite the cold rainy weather 52 chapters had representation present.

DISTRICT V

October 21

MAYODAN

Twenty-five chapters with 267 delegates were present at the rally. Nancy Bright State Secretary, presided and the FHA Ceremony was used for the opening of the session, followed by the prayer song and devotions. Club mothers and official guests were given recognition.

Politics entered the picture with the presentation of the candidates who were running for state office of vice-president. Elizabeth Crews of Mayodan won the election.

A program of entertainment including group singing and relaxers, tap dancing and recitations followed. A buzz session was held to give an opportunity to exchange ideas of ways to observe National FHA Week. The following ideas were presented: FHA Open House, Radio Programs, Dances, Plays, Fashion Shows, Window Displays, Church Recognition, Date Day, Mother Daughter Banquets with mother and daughter relationships, Plant Red Roses, Basketball Game, Chapel Program, Minstrel show, and talent shows.

Lunch was served at Washington Mills Park. Club mothers in Rockingham County arranged the picnic meal and the mill gave free transportation to those who needed it.

The district voted to pay fifteen cents per member toward sending all the state officers and advisers to the national workshop.

DISTRICT VI

November 11

OAKBORO

The Oakboro Chapter was hostess at the District VI Rally of the Future Homemakers on Saturday, November 11.

In spite of a chilly, rainy day about 550 FHA members and their advisers, chapter mothers, and one chapter father were present.

Martha Fulcher, State Vice-president, presided over the all day meeting; and Avanelle Barbee of the Oakboro Chapter served as recording Secretary.

Greetings and welcome were extended to the group by Mr. J. M. Hanyes, principal of the Oakboro School.



District II presents Supt. H. H. Bullock with a birthday cake. It coincided with our FHA District Rally Day.

After a brief business session a group of FHA members of the Harrisburg Chapter and Mrs. Stafford, their adviser, showed the film, "Choosing for Happiness" and conducted an interesting discussion both preceding and following the movie. Participating in this discussion were Linda Hilton, Janie Love, Shelby Stowe, Phyllis Sosman, Doris Teeter, Doris Smith, Willie Mae Deaton and Helen Hooper.

A bountiful picnic lunch was spread and enjoyed, after which the afternoon session opened with a talent show. Each county in district VI entered a participant. Peggy Johnston of Albemarle and Nan Morris of Morven served as mistresses of ceremonies. Participants in the show were Nancy Wilson of the Berryhill Chapter, Peggy Jo Cline of Mt. Pleasant; Joanna Steed of Candor; Betty Allman of Endy; who, incidentally gave Miss Leonard, the district supervisor some good advice by singing to her all the verses of "It's Later Than You Think." District VI will be waiting to see what she does with this advice. Gerry Carter of Lilesville, dressed in the FHA camp costume of white FHA Jacket and red shorts gave a tap dance.

An amusing as well as informative report of last summer's

trip to the National FHA Convention was given by four members who attended the convention, Louise Lambert of Endy; Evelyn Eury of Hartsell; Eloise Estes and Martha Fulcher of Davidson. The Lilesville Chapter gave a most impressive ending to the District VI rally by presenting the FHA emblem service. The stage was effectively lighted and the following members participated using an emblem they made: Julia Hough, president of the Lilesville Chapter; Gerry Carter; Ila Grace Gaddy; Pansy Dennis; Myrtle Harrington; Mamie Ruth Harrington; Joyce Downer; Mary Elizabeth Bunn, and Mary Ann Strater.

Miss Mary Niblock, district VI adviser, recognized Martha Fulcher, who will be the new state FHA president and she led the group in the closing ritual.

Just before she climbed on the bus to go home one Future Homemaker was heard to say "Oh! it was a good meeting and I had a good time."

DISTRICT VII

October 14

THOMASVILLE

The District VII rally met in Thomasville at the Main Street High School.

The weather was perfect for a perfect day!

While Fairgrove Chapter was doing such an excellent job at the registration desk, and Denton Chapter, presiding at the Bulletin board, pinning up all of the various name badges, the Thomasville High School Band was entertaining the early-comers in the auditorium.

The program started at 10 o'clock with the State President, Miss Clara Jean Hunter, presiding. After the opening Ritual, the Clemmons Chapter conducted the Devotional. Mildred Coggins and Nell Newby, co-presidents of the Thomasville chapter gave a hearty welcome to all. Rev. Wilson O. Weldon, of Memorial Methodist Church, gave a short but inspiring message. Greetings from Miss Louise Lowe, District Supervisor of Home Economics were followed by the introduction of the District Adviser, Mrs. Emma Robertson of Union Grove.

After the roll call and minutes by the Acting Secretary, Miss Kathleen Shumaker of Union Grove, the business of electing the new officer, song leader really started in earnest with Yadkinville Chapter in charge. Each of the four candidates led the group in singing familiar songs. After the Second balloting Carmel Long of Griffith High School in Forsyth County was elected, with Peggy Dunn of Clemmons as alternate.

Lucy Yount of Arcadia, Betty Ann DeBoard of Elkin, Barbara Nichols and Clara Jean Hunter of Pilot Mountain, and a member of Taylorsville chapter gave interesting reports on the National Convention.

Sally Alsbaugh of South Fork Chapter reported on the National Leadership workshop to be held in Kansas City next summer for the State officers and district advisers in place of the National Convention. The district voted to send 15 cents per member for expenses of the state officer elect and adviser elect to that workshop.

Tables were set in the gymnasium so that the chapters could spread their picnic lunches and enjoy fellowship with others.

The high spot of the day came

in the afternoon session after Betty Jo Sprinkle of East Spencer introduced the speaker, Dr. Lyda Gordon Shivers, Professor of Sociology in the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina in Greensboro. She discussed "Boy and Girl Relationships." Dr. Shivers went directly into her subject with an emphasis on courtship and marriage. She told the girls that there is safety in having many dates; that there is a thing called infatuation is mistakenly regarded as love at first sight. Also that girls should meet boys by going where there are boys, that is, such places as recreational centers; that they should cultivate friendships among the same sex; that they should take an active part in sports; that the thing called infatuation should not be mistaken for love; that real love can see ahead into problems and can wait.

After the delightful address by Dr. Shivers, Mrs. Vera Penner of Rural Hall announced the talent parade which included humorous readings, vocal guitar,

and piano selections by chapters in Iredell and Forsyth counties.

Taylorsville chapter gave the courtesy committee report. Mrs. Janie Tarleton of Mocksville extended an invitation to the group to meet in Mocksville next year with the Mocksville chapter acting as hostess.

The registration committee reported 683 in attendance, with 53 schools represented, 611 FHA members, 51 advisers, 3 chapter mothers, 1 chapter father and 6 non-affiliated members from two schools with their teachers.

District VII was delighted to have as special guests the six seniors majoring in home economics, from Woman's College. There were Misses Sarah Baker, Dorothy Clodfelter, Nancy Elliot, Kathleen Caston, Laura Jenkins, and Rachel Poole.

The planning committee for the rally was composed of the following:

Miss Louise Lowe, District Supervisor, Mrs. Laura Sides, Mrs. Margaret De Journette, Miss Elizabeth Martin, Miss Bettie Allison, and Mrs. Emma



Candidates for office from District V. Left to right, Clara Williams, Reidsville, Barbara Priddy, High Point and Elizabeth Crews, Mayodan.

Robertson, Advisers, with Betty Spinkle and Janet Small from East Spencer, Clara Jean Hunter and Barbara Nichols from Pilot Mountain, Sally Alspaugh from South Fork, Nancy Myers and Linda Clodfelter from Thomasville, Wanda Speece and Kathleen Shumaker from Union Grove.

After the closing Ritual, the meeting was adjourned.

DISTRICT VIII

October 21

SHELBY

Saturday was "district rally time in Caroline" at Shelby Senior High School for 1,025 Future Homemakers, and advisers of District VIII. Mary Ann Simpson, Lee Edwards High School, Asheville, district president, presided.

"Today's Youth and the World" was the theme of the program. Miss Truus Kox, a Dutch citizen, highlighted this theme by telling about the customs of family life in Holland. The girls also were delighted with the accounts of her experiences while visiting in the United States, especially her thinking that every man was a gangster.

Annie Marie Browning, Swain County FHA Chapter, Bryson City, reported on the National Convention she attended in Kansas City in July. Annie Marie led group singing and "relaxers" throughout the day's program.

Jane Crawford, president of Shelby FHA Chapter, gave a welcome to the group. Carol Long, Rutherfordton - Spindale Chapter, responded. Other FHA girls who participated on the program were: Lillian Vinay, Valdeese; Nancy Carswell, Glen Alpine; Eleanor Watson, Morganton; and a member of the Hendersonville and Cullowhee Chapters.

Cleveland County FHA members were hostesses. The cover of the program depicted cotton picking time in Cleveland County and songs such as Mammy, Mammy; Dixie; Carry Me Back to Ole Virginny and the dances by a boy from Cleveland County Training School added to the local color. Other features of entertainment were selections

from Shelby High Band, folk dancing in the gymnasium and a style revue with FHA girls from Boiling Springs, Fallston, Kings Mountain, Lattimore, Polkville, Shelby, Waco and Belwood participating as models and narrator. A feature of the afternoon session, the revue was an exhibit of clothes suitable for the teen-ager's wardrobe for fall and winter.

Special guests were representatives of the homemaking department of North Carolina School for the Deaf, Morganton,

chapter mothers Mr. J. H. Grigg, Superintendent, Cleveland County Schools and Mr. J. G. Hagaman, principal, Shelby Senior High School.

During the business session Thelma Mayfield, Swannanoa Chapter, was elected historian of the North Carolina Association of Future Homemakers of America. This district voted to make contributions according to the recommendations of the FHA Executive Council for sending state officers and advisers to National Workshop.

Third Finger—Left Hand

Greetings to all of you F.H.A. girls and sponsors. Some of you may remember me—others may not, but we all have one thing in common; we are all homemakers. You are the Future Homemakers so I'd like to take this opportunity to tell you a little of how it is being a present homemaker.

When that tiny gold band is slipped upon your third finger, left hand and you cease being "Miss," your entire life is changed. You now have someone other than yourself to think about. You'd be surprised to know how much those words "I Do" can get you into. Everyone who is married or has ever been married has his own special adjective for describing married life—to some it's wonderful,

sweet, pleasant, happy, blissful, etc.; but to others it's sad, awful, unhappy, one big mess, or terrible. To me it's just what I make it—right now, that's *TERRIFIC*. The first few weeks were the hardest because of the adjustments I had to make. One morning, for example, the coffee was too strong; the next, it was too weak. You see, I had never had to make coffee before as no one in my family drinks it regularly. Finally, after much experiment, I struck the happy medium.

I think that finding out just what your husband's likes and dislikes are is one of the harder problems of adjustment. This is especially true if he is from another section of the country and his mother is an excellent

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Registration at District II Rally. Each chapter pinned a rose on the map at the location of her chapter.

Chapter Chatter

"How much do you think it will sell for?" "Now girls don't get your hopes up too high." "With those girls, Madam, and that tobacco, you are bound to do good." "Well, anyway, everything will be profit." These were some of the remarks that could be heard as the **Ahoskie Chapter** of Future Homemakers waited in the warehouse for their baskets of tobacco to be sold, September 15.

Bringing tobacco from home and collecting from farmers at the local warehouses was one of the projects that the **Ahoskie Chapter** is planning to carry this year. The tobacco, when sold, brought above \$100.

Other projects they are planning are a box supper with a party afterwards and selling candy, and greeting cards.

The money made will be used to give a Mother-Daughter Banquet, and make improvements in the Home Economics Cottage, such as, buying venetian blinds, tablecloths, curtains and covering the sofa.

Leaders of the Chapter this year are Carolyn Early, president; Nita Parker, vice-president; Ann Taylor, secretary; Betty Ann Askew, treasurer; Sara Willoughby, parliamentarian; Annie Laura Brown, historian; Helen Moore, reporter; Ann Benthall, program chairman; and Hannah Earley, social chairman.

Chapter-Mothers are Mrs. Luther Brown, Mrs. J. B. Earley, Mrs. O. E. Willoughby, and Mrs. Vance Gray.

This year the girls decided they also wanted mascots which are Audrey Mary Britton and Deena Kaye Harmon.

Mrs. Margie H. Minton is the sponsor of **Ahoskie's Chapter**.

The **Junior FHA Club** of **Spencer School** gave a party Monday in honor of their 25 new members who had just been initiated into the club. The party was held in the newly-modernized home economics laboratory.

The guests were greeted by the following new club officers: Nancy Spake, social chairman; Mary Helen Morgan, president; Janet Lemmon, vice-president; Sharon Talbert, secretary; Janelle Queen, treasurer; Ann Fargis, song leader; Nancy Talbert historian, and Mrs. Julia Slate, faculty adviser.

Following games and contests, the group enjoyed ice cream and cake. Other guests present were Mrs. H. H. Hair, PTA president; Mr. and Mrs. Johnson H. Steelman, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Corwin, Mr. and Mrs. Fant Kelly, Mrs. Lucille Williams, Miss Marie Barrier, Miss Clara Davis, Marvin Miles and Mrs. W. D. Spake, club Mother.

The new members were initiated at school yesterday during a day

devoid of make-up, combed hair, and with clothes worn backwards.

Officers for the year were elected by the **Future Homemakers of America Club** of **Henderson High School** Thursday at the first meeting of the year. Barbara Wortham was named president; Florence Wheeler, vice-president; Nellie Cobb, secretary; Louise Whitemore, treasurer; and Louise and Mildred Whitemore, song leaders.

Plans for the year were discussed at the meeting.

The **Beaufort Chapter** is well organized with 60 members and the membership drive is still in progress. The new officers are: president, Elizabeth Woodard; vice-president, Mary Olive Martin; Secretary, Evelyn Graham; treasurer, Sue Gibbs; reporter, Barbara Goodwin; song leader, Ruth Whitehurst; parliamentarian, Phyllis Piner; historian, Patsy Becton; and pianist, Barbara Harris.

The adviser, Mrs. David Beveridge, has chartered a bus to carry the Atlantic, Newport, Morehead City and Beaufort Chapter members to the District II Rally in Kinston, October 7.

Edith Lewis was appointed chairman of the degrees committee. She has compiled a questionnaire for the Junior Homemaker and Chapter Homemaker Degrees. All members, especially the officers, are being urged to achieve at least the first degree before **FHA Week**. Edith is also president of the Carteret County Organization. She is making plans with the chapter members for the Beaufort Chapter to be hostess to the County Rally during **National FHA Week**.

The Ways and Means Committee has ordered Christmas Cards for the members to sell.

Initiation day was endured by new members and enjoyed by old members, the last Friday in September. The onions on strings that

were worn around the new members' necks and the Blue Waltz perfume they were obliged to wear, made the entire school (and town) conscious of their importance on this significant day.

The "dirty-work" was followed by the customary candlelight initiation.

The senior club of the **Thomasboro Chapter** of the **Future Homemakers of America** held its first meeting of the school year yesterday and elected the following officers: Betty Gregory, president; Jean Noble, vice-president; Valoree Knight, secretary; Martha Crocker, treasurer; Clara Oliver, reporter; Patsy Hipp, parliamentarian; Ann Keever, historian, and Frances Osborne, song leader.

On Friday, September 22, 1950, the **John Graham Chapter** of the **FHA** held an installation service in the school auditorium, Warrenton, North Carolina, installing the new officers for 50-51.

Each new officer was brought in and assigned to duty by the old officers of the club. Standing from left to right are: Mary Eleanor Ayscue, reporter; Ruby Riggan, treasurer; Mattie Hunter, secretary; Mary Fleming, vice-president; Geraldine Pittard, president; Shirley Gupton, song leader; Betty Jean Reavis, pianist; Julia Peoples, historian; Lillie Shearin, parliamentarian.

The new officers as seated from left to right are: Sallye Faye Cheek, reporter; Margaret Jones, treasurer; Willie B. Overby, secretary; Connie May, vice-president; Anne Neal, president; "Dody" Miller, song leader; Kathleen Overby, pianist; Annie Rosa Edmonds, historian; Jeanette Hayes, parliamentarian.

The **Culowhee Chapter** of **FHA** won a blue ribbon for an exhibit put up for the three day achievement day sponsored by the extension works in Jackson County.



John Graham FHA Officers for 1950-51.

All FHA Chapters and FFA Chapters were invited to send exhibits. Our exhibit was put up by a student-teacher and four high school girls.

The theme, "Today's Youth Are Tomorrow's Homemakers" will guide the sixty members of the **Stoneville Chapter** in having a better chapter than ever before. The year's activities were started with a bang and a hooray when the new members participated in an initiation directed by the old members. One was reminded of Halloween to see faces painted every color in the rainbow, hair in pigtailed, skirts, worn upside down, kitchen utensils as necklaces, buckets for book satchels and toys for play things. The members will formally be initiated at the regular October meeting. In looking over the year's program, planned at a pre-school planning meeting, there are many enjoyable and constructive programs to expand the knowledge and experiences of the members. Each program is planned around one of the light purposes of the National FHA Activities include, attending of State Fair, attending district and state rallies, entertaining fathers and mothers in home-making department, having FFA boys as guests parties during holiday seasons, and planned recreation after each meeting.

The members will gain social, economics and spiritual enrichment through carefully chosen projects. This year's projects will emphasize school and community sanitation and international good will.

The **Red Springs** high school chapter of the FHA sent representatives to the District Rally at Laurinburg last Saturday. Gale Simpson, Jaunita Nurnberger, Irene Lane, Myrtis Boone Johnson, Shirley Kennedy, Janet Kennedy and their adviser, Mrs. Ben Stanton, represented the local chapter. The students also took part on the program.

Myrtis Boone Johnson was elected president of the **Red Springs FHA** at a meeting of the group held last week at the High School. Other officers named at this time were: Shirley Kennedy, vice-president; Joyce Cribb, secretary; Mary Hutson, treasurer; Sally McArthur, historian; Peggy Cox, parliamentarian; Rosalind Davis, song leader; Joyce Russell, reporter.

Mabel Shook was named chairman of the ways and means committee; Betsy Watson, social chairman; Gale Simpson, entertainment chairman. Mrs. Ben Stanton is the club adviser; Mrs. Walter Dudley and Miss May Boone are honorary club members. Plans were made at the meeting to attend the district FHA Rally in Laurinburg last Saturday, October 7. Myrtis Boone Johnson was on the district rally program.

The **FHA Chapter of Chapel Hill** had their first meeting Tuesday night, October 10, 1950. At this meeting the following officers were elected: President, Carolyn Thomp-

son; Vice-President, Rachel Thompson; Secretary, Jane Durham; Treasurer, Carol Zachery; Program Chairman, Betty Mae Bradshaw; Historian, Carol Whitesell; Reporter, Nancy Gentry, and Parliamentarian, Eleanor Saunders.

The third year Home Economics girls were the hostesses and served refreshments of punch and cookies, while the second year girls had charge of the program and the business side.

Group meetings are held in each class immediately after the monthly night meeting. Four classes voted to become members of the FHA, making the membership of more than 60 in this year's chapter.

The Future Homemakers class of **Lexington High School** has the most finished exhibit in the building, according to many comments. Beautiful dolls illustrate the club aims of worthy home membership, wholesome recreation, interest in home economics, promotion of international good will; development of homemaking; encouragement of democracy, and development of creative leadership.

The **Vass-Lakeview FHA Chapter** held its first meeting of the year September 27, with Lois Hinesley presiding. Miss Jane Lewis, vocational home economics teacher, discussed the FHA District Rally to be held at Laurinburg on October 7, and tentative transportation plans for attending the rally were made. Ruth Hudson gave a report on District Rally news and Mary Ransdall reported on a County Executive Council meeting held at Carthage. The topic of the program was "Making Our Own Clothes and A Family Reminder Board." Ideas for making hats, dresses and reminder boards for homes were demonstrated by Johnsie Richardson and Faye Hardy. The FHA creed was repeated in unison and the meeting was adjourned. During the recreation period, songs and refreshments were enjoyed.



Margaret Ann and Delmas Lewis, sister-brother team who have won the home economics medal at Beaufort, two years in succession.

A **Beaufort FHA** boy was given high honors while receiving his diploma in May. Delmas Lewis was awarded the Honorary Home Economics Medal and presented with an exclusive plaque which the school had designed and engraved with the meaningful worded inscription:

B. H. S.
Service Recognition
presented to
A. Delmas Lewis
by the Trustees
and Faculty for His
Unfailing Interest
and Tireless Efforts
in the School's Behalf
T. G. Leary

It was well earned prestige and respect from both students and teachers. As a senior, he enrolled in second year home economics and was so interested in the home-making program that he used a study period to enroll with a first year class (without credit). The FHA Chapter was honored with his membership and he was the only boy who attended the district II Rally in Jacksonville last fall.

The chapter Ways and Means Committee is grateful for his Assistance in selling hot-dogs at the basketball games where he served as electrician (for hot plate) and team manager.

The FHA Recreational Committee is indebted to Delmas for his help with the amplifying system and his ability and desire to direct wholesome recreation at local and county entertainments.

The adviser, Mrs. David L. Beveridge, Chapter members and students will miss the aid that Delmas gave in keeping the department equipment repaired and orderly. Even the home economics adult class members enjoyed the assistance of Delmas with their sewing problems; and the lunchroom workers will sorely miss his daily help and information.

The town has gained Delmas as a business man in "Alex Lewis and Son Auto Paint and Repairing" establishment. Delmas is the second member of the Lewis family to win the home economics medal. Margaret Ann Lewis, his sister, won the medal the year before. She was also an active FHA member.



HOW DOES YOUR CHAPTER RATE?

1. Have you paid your state and national dues?
2. Have you prepared a yearbook and program of work?
3. Are you keeping a good chapter scrapbook?
4. Have you selected a chapter mother?
5. Have you mailed packages for the World Christmas Festival?
6. Have you celebrated National F.H.A. week and mailed a report into the state office?
7. Have you kept your promise to mail a package to your adopted Foreign Home Economics class?
8. Have you entertained any other group or organization?
9. Have you put on a high school assembly program?
10. Have you had daddy or mother's night?
11. Have you prepared regular publicity for local and high school newspaper?
12. Have you reported interesting activities to the F.H.A. North Carolina *F.H.A. Newsletter*?
13. Have you made plans for a school and community improvement program?
14. Have you attended the District F.H.A. Rally?
15. Have you sent a delegate to the State F.H.A. convention?
16. Have you made plans to send a delegate to the F.H.A. Regional meeting in June?
17. Have you made plans to attend the F.H.A. summer camp?
18. Have you started working for your degrees of membership?
19. Have you written an article for *Teen Times*?
20. Have you given each member a definite chapter responsibility?

Adapted from the Nevada F.H.A.

F.H.A. RATING SCALE

- 20—Excellent—We're proud of your chapter.
- 17-16—Good—Work a little harder for an excellent rating.
- 14-16—Fair—Let's all pull together and put F.H.A. on top.
- 11-13—Poor—Take time to evaluate your chapters program. Set up new goals and see that they are accomplished.
- 10-0—Very Poor—Plan a program of work for the year. Delegate a definite responsibility to each member. Check each point off of the rating scale as it is accomplished. Watch your Chapter climb to the top of the rating scale. The success of your chapter depends upon each individual member.



The meal is prepared—the table is set—the food is enjoyed—a program is given—step by step in Mother - Daughter buffet supper given by Lexington F.H.A. Chapter.

THIRD FINGER—LEFT HAND

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cook. If it hadn't been for the four years of Home Ec training that I had—where would I have been? Right in the middle of disaster!

After much misunderstanding and a little too much starch in some shirts and not enough in some others, I had the laundry situation licked. I have a very wonderful husband, in fact, he's much too helpful at times. For instance, there was the time when I went to town and upon my return, to my great surprise, my sweet husband greeted me

with love shining in his eyes and said that he had done the washing. Naturally, my first thought was to inspect his good deed. Everything was lovely—including the beautiful bright pink dye job (caused from fading a red blouse) he had done on two of the sheets, his undershirts, and my new chenille robe. Of course, I didn't know whether to laugh or to cry—these sheets were my mother's—so I just stood there and thanked him as best I could.

Then there's the budget that never seems to come out right as it did in school. I just can't understand it but I guess I'll survive. Any suggestions from the readers will be very welcome.

Every day I learn something new, and I don't have any teachers to call to my rescue when the cake is falling and I expect company, or when the

pudding is beginning to lump and I can't stir it and keep the spinach from burning at the same time. So you can see it's not all play but then there are the happy times, too, when the dinner is delicious and you see the light shining in the pair of eyes across the table from you; when he brings you flowers or candy as a surprise; or asks why don't you buy a new dress. Yes, there are happy times, too!

My advice to any of you who plan to marry someday, be it soon or later, is to take all the training you can get at home or at school. For, you see, you'll soon find you're not as smart as you thought you were!!!

(Greetings from Dorothy Godlin Ellison, a former Future Homemaker, who is now a present homemaker in Wyoming. Thank you, Dorothy, for your most enjoyable letter and good advice.)

Future Homemakers of America

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We are the Future Homemakers of America
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope,
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking
Old and precious values.

For we are the builders of homes,
Homes for America's future.
Homes where living will be the expression of everything
That is good and fair.
Homes where truth and love and security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

We are the Future Homemakers of America.
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And high hope.



"The homes of tomorrow are in
the hands of the youth
of today"

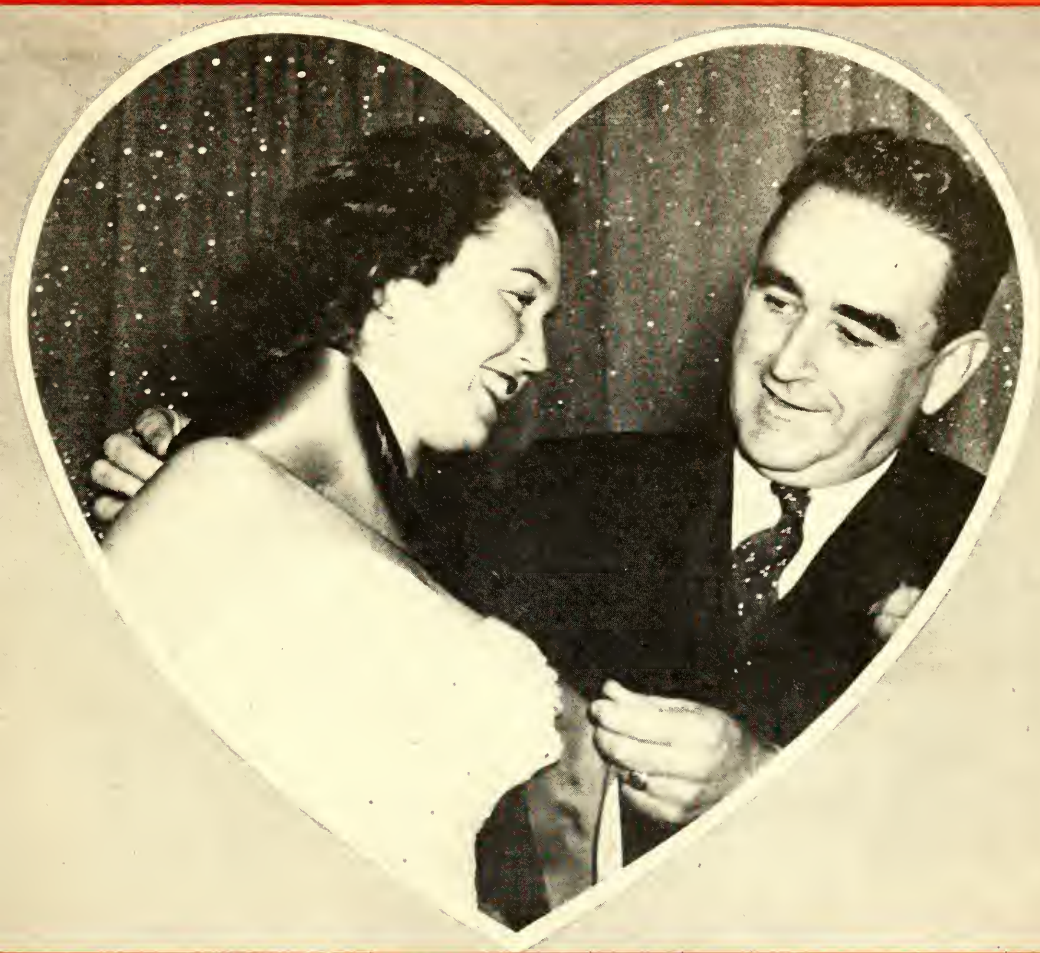
CAROLINE SAYS



CHRISTMAS GRACE

Be present at our table, Lord;
Be here and everywhere adored,
From Thy all-bounteous hand
our food
May we receive with gratitude.

We humbly thank Thee, Lord,
our God,
For all Thy gifts on us bestowed;
And pray Thee graciously to
grant
The food which day by day we
want.



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FHA girls entertain children in the Orthopedic Hospital at a Christmas party.

World Peace Begins in the Family

At this critical moment in history when our total resources are needed for creating a peaceful world, we urge families to recognize that they have a part in establishing peace and understanding. Their own way of living can either support or hamper the efforts of church leaders and statesmen to assure a lasting peace. Homes characterized by love, cooperation and a democratic spirit have an incalculable power for good. Homes lacking these qualities add to the conflict and bitterness of the world.

Unstable families create a vicious circle by sending into the world maladjusted persons who make trouble for themselves and others, aggravate social evils, and then they marry and set up other unstable families.

How largely nervous and emotional ailments, delinquency and crime stem back to such homes is a matter of common knowledge.

But there is also a "blessed circle" in the life of wholesome families. They are happy in themselves and characterized by mental and emotional health. They are cooperative, self-respecting and considerate of others. They practice democracy at home and send out currents of good into the world. In their turn their offspring achieve a high average of success in the homes which they establish.

In the family circle we learn to appreciate the best in one another, we encourage each to excel in his own way and we learn to settle our differences

constructively. By creating peace, even with forgiveness where necessary, in the smallest and most fundamental unit we make it more possible that peace and reconciliation shall prevail in the world outside. The Christian family can be a generating center of good will that radiates out into life, not limiting its concern to its own family group nor confining its fellowship to its own race or creed.

Families which practice good

Governor Scott crowned Carolyn Thornburg, 15, of Durham "Miss North Carolina Wildlife of 1950" at the close of the banquet. The statewide competition was based upon ability in shooting and other outdoor sports as well as beauty.

neighborliness and cultivate acquaintance across national and racial lines help to bind the world together in fellowship. Homes in which world problems are discussed sympathetically and in which prayer is offered for people in all lands become promoters of world understanding. Basically it is the home that determines the course of national life.

When we recognize the primary importance of family values and family security for ourselves we realize that concern for other families is helpful to world cooperation. Nations are made up of families whose interests are as precious to them as ours are to us. If we think of other people as families with their ties of love, their needs and their aspirations we shall be less likely to be forced by events to think of them as foes seeking to destroy us.

In a new age when man's techniques are being revolutionized and his values tested anew there is a possibility of building up a type of family life fitting the times and as fine as the world has ever seen. Character development will provide stability and fitness. New power over material resources quite basis of support. Research will provide new understanding of the interactions of personalities. Sound practical wisdom will take advantage of all these and will also make better use of available means of culture for enriching family life. Religion will bring people closer to one another and to God.

If family life is sound, society will be sound at heart. If family values are neglected and family will make possible a more ad-aptability lost in a welter of confusion and conflicting interests, all else that we accomplish will fall far short of providing either security or happiness.

We recommend, therefore, that each Christian family recognize it to be a part of its vocation.

(1) To conduct its own life in fellowship and mutual appreciation, as a God-given responsibility and by God's grace, thus making its home a healthy

cell in the body of the church and of humanity;

(2) To accept primary responsibility for the religious nurture of its children by sharing with them a vital Christian work, play, love, thought and life rich in the fellowships of worship;

(3) to share richly together in the life of the church, which supplements the home in religious education and provides a sustaining fellowship in high ideals and in the knowledge of God;

(4) to give generous help to those who are in distress, and especially at this time to have at its own table some symbol and reminder that when we feed the hungry and minister to the needy we are doing it to the Lord Christ himself;

(5) to begin world betterment through the fellowships of the family with people of other races and groups; and

(6) to practice a type of citizenship and to support such national policies as shall be most likely to spread justice and good will among all peoples.*

LET'S SING

A Song of Peace

(Tune: Finlandia)

This is my song, O God of all the nations,

O song of peace for lands afar and mine;

This is my home, the country where my heart is,

Here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;

But other hears in other lands are beating

With hopes as true and high as mine;

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,

And sunlight beams on clover leaf and pine.

But other lands have sunlight, too and clover,

And skies are everywhere as blue as mine.

Oh hear my song, thou God of all the nations,

A song of peace for their land and for mine.

Five Rules for Happiness

1. Cultivate the habit of always looking on the bright side of every experience.

2. Accept cheerfully the place in life that is yours, believing that it is the best possible place for you.

3. Throw your whole soul and spirit into your work, and do it the best you know how.

4. Get into the habit of doing bits of kindness and courtesies to all those who touch your life each day.

5. Adopt and maintain a simple, childlike attitude of confidence and trust in God as your own Father.

Dr. Charles Barker.

FHA Represented at Florida State Fair

Toddy Smith, State Historian, was selected to represent North Carolina at the Florida State Fair in Tampa, February 1 to 4th. The Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company gave the trip to representatives of FHA—FFA in six of the southern states. Toddy gathered ideas from the Florida Fair to pass on to our State FHA Fair Committee.

Clyde Jones, Hobbsville, N. C. represented the North Carolina Future Farmers of America organization. Both report a wonderful trip with all the trimmings to make it a "big memory." Incidentally the Fair exhibits were excellent.

NORTH CAROLINA COUNCIL ON FAMILY RELATIONS STATE CONFERENCE, NOV. 15-16, 1950

Jean Puckett, Hugh Morson Chapter, and Betty Rand, Garner Chapter represented the FHA at the annual conference held in Raleigh. Both participated in the discussion.

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Oak Grove Chapter members taking care of children while parents attend PTA meeting. FHA members, left to right: Jean Griffin, Vida King, Joan Griffin and Carolyn Tice.

Midcentury White House Conference on Children and Youth, December 3-7, 1950

Five conferences on children, one each ten years, has been called by the President of the United States, for the purpose of bettering child life in America. In 1909 President Theodore Roosevelt called the first conference which gave momentum to a national movement to help dependent children stay in their own homes and to find home care for homeless children. The conference in 1919, called by President Wilson speeded up public demand for child labor legislation. The outcomes of the 1930 conferences called by President Hoover pointed up the need for specialized training for people working with children and advanced the profession of pediatrics and progressive edu-

cation while the emphases in 1940, called by President Franklin Roosevelt were on developing democratic principles and services necessary for the well-being of children.

As you can see these conferences have had far reaching affects upon child care and development. The fifth of these series of conferences, called by President Truman was devoted to focusing our concerns for children and youth, present up to date knowledge point up the needs of parents, look at the environment in which children are growing up and initiate plans for working together to achieve the recommendations coming out of the conference.

Everyone present was inter-

ested in learning more about helping children and youth develop into well-rounded personalities. Among the 5,000 delegates were many, many youth who spoke for themselves and others regarding their interests and needs. "Personality development is influenced by heredity, early experiences within the family, and the events of later life. Many of the adverse influences of early childhood can be corrected by later experiences in life" was a hopeful statement by Dr. Franz Alexander.

Being a good American citizen came in for much discussion. All people must be taught (1) to participate in government; (2) to value the free choice in a free society; (3) to develop greater regard for the general welfare of all; (4) grow up with respect for the democratic system. Youth must participate

in local community affairs in order to be ready to assume the later responsibilities of citizenship. "Life is meaningless without religion" said Msgr. John J. McClafferty. Because a religious person does not feel that he lives in a hostile world he is much less subject to emotional disturbances. Religion stresses the importance of the individual and imports a feeling of brotherhood with all mankind.

In the concluding address by Dr. Katherine F. Lenroot she stated "it is more important that young people have clear ideas of freedom, the worth of each individual, and man's relation to God, than that they understand atomic fission. . . ." The day has passed when we can be concerned with ourselves only. What we want for ourselves, we want for all people. We recognize our responsibilities as good citizens. These are the goals we have set for ourselves as young people (Advisory Council on Youth Participation) to achieve in cooperation with adults.

PLEDGE TO CHILDREN

TO YOU, our children, who hold within you our most cherished hopes, we the members of the Midcentury White House Conference on Children and Youth, relying on your full response, make this pledge:

From your earliest infancy we give you our love, so that you may grow with trust in yourself and in others.

We will recognize your worth as a person and we will help you to strengthen your sense of belonging.

We will respect your right to be yourself and at the same time help you to understand the rights of others, so that you may experience cooperative living.

We will help you to develop initiative and imagination, so that you may have the opportunity freely to create.

We will encourage your curiosity and your pride in workmanship, so that you may have the satisfaction that comes from achievement.

We will provide the conditions for wholesome play that will



Mangum FHA members frame and hang FHA Charter in department.

add to your learning, to your social experience, and to your happiness.

We will illustrate by precept and example the value of integrity and the importance of moral courage.

We will encourage you always to seek the truth.

We will open the way for you to enjoy the arts and to use them for deepening your understanding of life.

We will work to rid ourselves of prejudice and discrimination, so that together we may achieve a truly democratic society.

We will work to lift the standard of living and to improve our economic practices, so that you may have the material basis for a full life.

We will provide you with rewarding educational opportunities, so that you may develop your talents and contribute to a better world.

We will protect you against exploitation and undue hazards and help you grow in health and strength.

We will work to conserve and improve family life and, as needed, to provide foster care according to your inherent rights.

We will intensify our search for new knowledge in order to guide your more effectively as you develop your potentialities.

As you grow from child to youth to adult, establishing

a family life of your social responsibilities, we will work with you to improve conditions for all children and youth.

Aware that these promises to you cannot be fully met in a world at war, we ask you to join us in a firm dedication to the building of a world society based on freedom, justice and mutual respect.

SO MAY YOU grow in joy, in faith in God and in man, and in those qualities of vision and of the spirit that will sustain us all and give us new hope for the future.

Do you take an active part to help the club along?

Or are you satisfied to be the kind to "Just Belong"?

Do you ever visit a member who is sick?

Or leave the work to just a few, and talk about the clique?

There's quite a program scheduled, that means success, if done;

And it can be accomplished with the help of every one.

So attend the meetings regularly and help with hand and heart,

Don't be just a member, but take an active part.

Think it over, member, are we right or are we wrong?

Are you an active member, or do you "Just belong"?

The Program Committee,
Martins Ferry,
Woman's Club, Ohio.

Meet Your State Officers

The president of the North Carolina Future Homemakers of America is a remarkable young woman, Miss Clara Jean Hunter of Pilot Mountain.

Clara Jean, a junior in the Pilot Mountain High School in Surry County, is sixteen years old. She has made numerous accomplishments in her high school activities which include dramatics, the French Club, Science Club, Music, Home Economics, and 4-H Club. For the past four years, Clara Jean, an honor student, has worked in the school store. She has completed three projects in home economics, canning, painting, and sewing. Her most outstanding work has been in FHA. She has been a member for three years and held the following offices: Treasurer and Vice-president of her chapter, and vice-president and president of the state organization. Of the three district meetings she has attended she presided over two. She has attended three county rallies, two state rallies, and the national rally in Kansas City last summer. Clara Jean has already obtained her junior and chapter degree in FHA and hopes to get her state degree this spring.

Aside from school and FHA Clara Jean likes to read, to travel, and to collect autographs, but the favorite hobby is her club work. After she graduates from high school Clara Jean plans to train for the nursing profession.

Martha Fulcher, State Vice-President of the FHA, is five feet, six and one-half inches tall, has blonde hair and blue eyes. She is president of the Junior Class, reporter of the Star Club, and a member of the Bible Club. This is Martha's third year of FHA work. She was secretary of a section of her Sophomore Class. Martha is entering her third year as a basketball player, being both a guard and a forward. She is also quite active in young people's church work. A pleasing personality is one of her top characteristics. She makes friends easily and does not limit her circle of friends

to her home town. She is willing to cooperate, doing her part in all activities. These are a few examples and reasons why she is capable of being a leader in any organization. Martha is planning to go to college when she graduates from Davidson High School and major in home economics.

Lorena Pace, our State Treasurer, is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Pace, Route 1, Broadway. She is one of a family of six children. Rudine, her next sister is also an active FHA member. Lorena is a junior at Benhaven High School, having attended the same school since the day she entered the first grade. During her school career she has taken part in many school activities, including piano, glee club and 4-H Club as well as FHA. For two of her high school years she has been elected to a class office. However, her chief interests lie in the fields connected with homemaking. She is reporter of the local FHA chapter, and president of the 4-H. At the county FHA dress revue last spring she won first place in the suit class, and for the past two years has been county winner in the 4-H dress revue. She has also been county winner in the 4-H Dairy Foods Demonstrations for the past three years and district winner last year. She has attended FHA Camp and 4-H short courses, and her trip to Kansas City to the National FHA Convention was one of the most outstanding events in her life up to this time. Her ambition is to attend college, major in home economics and teach. Mrs. Pace, Lorena's mother, is Benhaven's chapter mother, and encourages her daughters in their class and extra curricular work. In spite of the fact that her days are filled with school activities, Lorena also enjoys the things we all do, just for fun—dates, dancing, movies, ball games, etc. In short she is an all round girl!

Mary Anne, a vivacious blonde with hazel eyes, is just teaming with fun and enthusi-

asm. All of her friends say she really has the "gift of gab."

She has been a very faithful member of the Lee Edwards Chapter of the Future Homemakers of America for the past three years. She was elected secretary of her local club in her second year, and is now song leader for her local chapter, the county, eighth district and the state. She is interested in knitting, housework, and music. Her hobbies are collecting records, traveling, and collecting small whatnots. She is assistant to the Dean of Girls and a member of the Haywood Street Methodist Church.

Katie Lee Pittman, State Parliamentarian, has always lived on a farm and knows how to do any kind of farm work and enjoys it. The fact that she knows so much about the farm work does not mean that she does not help her mother with the housework for she knows how it is done too. She has been doing the family sewing since her first year in home economics. She enjoys sewing so much that she sews for people outside the family when she has time. When she did a sewing project in school, she did more than was required. She has won prizes for the best project program in her chapter. The first prize was a ten dollar bill and the second prize was a twenty-one dollar pressure cooker.

She has had three years of home economics and would take a fourth year if it were offered. She too has been an FHA member for three years and holds her Junior and Chapter Homemaker degrees. She hopes to receive her state homemaker degree in the spring.

Katie Lee says, "My trip to the Second National Convention was a most enjoyable and worthwhile one. I want to thank each one who helped to make it possible for me to attend the convention." The convention was very profitable to Katie Lee. She brought back many worth-

while ideas which she has passed on to our chapter and others. She always appreciates suggestions and gladly helps others when they wish her help.

Katie doesn't mind putting her better self into anything that she starts to do and she usually makes a success.

When we think of Toddy Smith, we think of a person who not only possesses pleasant charm but one whose possession are diversified—"A Jack of all trades—and Master of them all."

Scholastically, Toddy has been the top ranking honor student in her class for the past three years, and from all indications, she will be valedictorian this, her senior year. The faith her fellow students have in her is evidenced by the many school offices to which she has been elected. She has been president of the Junior Class, Reporter on the school paper, and has held offices in the Beta Club, The F.B.L.A., the Student Council, and the FHA. At present she is Editor of the School Annual. Athletically she has proven her worth in basketball and cheerleading.

Toddy's interests are not confined to the school. She has entered into the activities of the community with zeal and purpose. She has done outstanding work in the Girl Scouts, the Methodist Youth Fellowship, is assistant pianist at Sunday School and is President of her Sunday School Class.

Her prime interest of late has been FHA work to which she has given much effort and in which she has received marked recognition. She has been local song-leader and president, vice-president and president of the Pitt County Unit, Chairman of the Membership Committee, and was District President and State Historian for the year 1950-51. She is also a member of the National Public Relations Committee.

If you are one who connects the word "bright" with something sunny, happy, and mighty nice, you are also one who should know a certain person named Nancy. Her full title is Nancy Gwendolyn Bright, she

hails from High Point, and she is State Secretary.

Nancy comes from a family of five and is one of those lucky girls who claim not one, but two big brothers. She will be suddenly attentive when athletics, dancing and one member of the opposite sex whom we will call Darrell are mentioned.

Ask almost anyone at High Point High School and they will tell you something nice about Nancy as she is very active in school activities, social and governing activities.

Ask someone down Missouri way and they might not recognize the name until something about "pockets" is also mentioned. Seems she collected quite a few souvenirs at the recent FHA Convention. Hmmm!

When Nancy asked me to write this sketch there was only one logical comment. "It would be a pleasure." And that it was. She is one swell gal!

"Yes, Inez, I really did spend a memorable weekend with 36 girls, teachers, and advisers."

This was the end of a long conversation with Virgie Melton, 1950's State Reporter, about her trip to Kansas City and the National Convention.

Virgie's personality has made her tops with all her friends.

She is sincere and loyal. She goes out of her way to meet people and then farther out of her way to help them. She has a ready smile and sparkling eyes that dance with merriment and pleasure. She has a high sense of values and enjoys a variety of wholesome activities. Above all, she is very capable and dependable. She is conscientious toward any responsibility that is hers. These characteristics Virgie has proved as an outstanding FHA member for almost four years.

Virgie is a Senior this year at New Hanover High School, Wilmington. Here she has been active in a variety of things. These activities include: home-room chairman; Red Cross representative; Spanish Club; legislature representative for two years; Y-Teens for four years; FHA reporter; Vice-president and president; president of Distributive Education class.



On Thursday, November 16, the Four Oaks Chapter gave a radio broadcast. The girls are from left to right: Willie Wilkins, Ila Frances Allen, Dorothy Temple, Jo Linda Moore and Shirley Smith.

"Chapter Chatter"

The Beaufort Chapter has conferred the Junior Homemakers Degree to the following twelve girls: Patricia Daniels, Francis Fulcher, Bobbie J. Herring, Evelyn Graham, Peggy J. Lewis, Elizabeth Woodard, Barbara Harris, Barbara Goodwin, Patsy Becton, Sue Gibbs, Ruth Whitehurst, and Phyllis Piner. For those who passed their J. H. D. the degree chairman, Edith Lewis, gave a boat party.

The Sandy Ridge FHA Chapter entertained their mothers and members of the school faculty at a Christmas Banquet Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. in the high school gymnasium. Lois Dodson, president, presided. The gymnasium was decorated with red and green crepe paper streamers. A huge Christmas tree was placed at one end of the gymnasium. Chapter members presented a Christmas program. Approximately 125 people attended.

The Bertie County Fair was held in the Tobacco Warehouse and our Windsor FHA Chapter was the only entrant in the FHA group. For our exhibit, we used the theme, "Stairway to the Stars" letting each step represent a phase of Home Economics. Two FHA dolls, dressed in red and white, stood at the bottom of the stairs, looking up to a house, centered in a star, representing the home of tomorrow. We used a black background with gold stars, the Windsor High School Colors, and our steps were pastel green.

We received the second prize of ten dollars (\$10.00) for our exhibit.

We had a question and answer session on teen-age problems at our last Bailey FHA meeting. Each girl was given the opportunity to put questions in a box which were sorted before the meeting to avoid asking the same question twice. To discuss the questions, we had Mrs. Laurine T. Lassitor, commerce teacher, Mrs. Zettie Stott, mother of one of our members, Mr. M. W. Weaver, principal, Mr. John Wells, agriculture teacher, and Rev. I. T. Poole, minister in our town. We received very helpful ideas and enjoyed the meeting very much.

The Lee H. Edwards Chapter of FHA entertained patients at the Asheille Orthopedic Hospital on November 11.

Joan Baker was in charge of the party at the hospital attended by FHA members advisers and parents. The Lee Edwards Boys Quartet sang several selections. There were also piano solo's and readings. The program concluded with group singing.

Betty Kirby, president, presided at the early meeting that afternoon held at the school, at which Mrs. W. S. Burleson demonstrated Christmas package wrapping and decorating techniques.

The next Friday November 15, three girls—Joan Baker, JoAnn Page and Jean Brent went to the Orthopedic Hospital and distributed comic books among the children. This was the chapters local project for FHA week.

The new officers of the Mebane FHA Chapter are President, Sylvia Craddock; vice-president, Gail Ward; secretary, Juanita Darnell; treasurer, Betty Wynn; Program chairman, Brenda Richardson; finance chairman, Faye Freshwater; social chairman, Sue Freshwater; yearbook chairman, Jo Lambert; reporter, Betsy Allen. Other business included the discussion of the objectives of our club and goals for the year.

Spencer FHA Chapter presented an interesting program "Musical Turntable" based on an entirely new idea of colored television. With Jimmy Morris as Master of Ceremonies, the show was a big success.

The cast was composed of many celebrated celebrities. Among them were: Billy Eckstine Miller, Doris Day Girdler, Hank Williams Potts, Frankie Laine Barrier, Bob Hope Hoffner, Margaret Whiting Palmer, Gloria De Haven Barnes, Spike Jones Little with his City Slickers, Eddie Fisher Broadway, Kay Starr Trexler, Tennessee Ernie Young, Frank Laine Hoffner, and Henri Foltz. Popular songs were sung by the players while the theme was being enacted by silhouette figures on the screen.

During intermission, candy, cakes, and cookies were sold at the door.

The program was presented by the Senior FHA Club to secure funds for the Christmas Dance. It was an annual project of the club.

The Boyden High Chapter has recently elected mother-and-father chapter members. They are Mrs. H. H. Miller, the mother of Louise Miller, Mrs. G. W. Plyler, Janet Plyler's mother, and Mr. P. L. Newsom, the father of Mary Virginia Newsom. Other activities of the FHA this year have been: a meeting for the old members; an assembly program for the freshman girls to tell them about the organization and the initiation of new members. The new members were required to wear red aprons and dunce hats, to wear their hair rolled in socks, and to carry dolls during the day at school. Miss Anne Hall and Mrs. Kate Haskins, teachers in the home economics department, are the advisers of the FHA.

The Executive Council of the Carteret County FHA held a planning meeting recently in the Ann Street Methodist Church in Beaufort. Jean Bowles, county president, presided. The policy concerning the election of county officers was discussed. In observance of FHA Week, November 12-18, it was asked that all chapters attend some church service. Plans were made for a dance to be held in the Morehead City gymnasium in November.

Beaufort members and their advisers served soft drinks and cookies during a social hour. The following from Morehead City were present: Jean Bowles, county president, Annette Guthrie, county reporter, and Mrs. Florence Cordova, adviser. Beaufort members present were Edith Lewis, county vice-president, Faye Merrill, county parliamentarian, Elizabeth Woodard, president of the Beaufort chapter and Mrs. Geraldine Beveridge, adviser. Newport was represented by Jackie Edwards, county secretary, Rachel Mundine, county historian, Mary Frances Craig, president of the Newport chapter, and Mrs. Ruby Simmons, adviser, Barbara Hancock, Mollie Gillikin, Wilma Piner, and Mrs. Gladys Lollis, adviser, were present from the Smyrna Chapter.

The Spencer FHA Chapter cleared \$16.00 on a food sale. This money was used to pay for club picture in annual. Other plans are to purchase a new electric refrigerator for Food Laboratory and in order to raise this money they are selling stationery. To date they have sold \$119.00 worth. The money for this project will be used to buy small equipment for food lab.

Second and third year home economics students of the Winecoff School's Future Homemakers of America presented a fashion show at Friday morning's chapel program. Skirts and Weskets were shown first, these garments being made of gabardine and corduroy. Models in this group were Barbara Landrum, Jo Frances Carpenter, Jane Hopkins, Annie Cline, Margaret Haynes, Melba Hurlocker, Wanda Sifford, Shirleen Graham, Susie Donohue, and Ruby Tomlin. Skirts and blouses in most dressy and tailored designs were shown by Betty Simmons, Bobbie Kier, Dorothy Rushing, Willodean Waddell, Hilda Sherrill, Hazel Lee, Annie Teel, Christine Mullis, Virginia Hancock, Colleen Farrington, Dorothy Funderburke, Imogene Winger, and Joan Clanton, and Patsy Castor. Boleros, with and without sleeves, were next on the program. Models were Elsie Linker, Gladys Talbert, Sarah Rogers, Lessie Ruth Walters, Effie Linker, Carol Wiggins, Mary Simons, Ruth Myers, and Ruth Sigmon. Corduroy suits, modelled by their makers, were then shown by Annie Eddleman, Mary Downum, and Hoyce Eddleman, Miss Downum also made a blouse to harmonize with her suit and lined her suit jacket.

Modelling jumpers and blouses were Marlene Beaver, Virginia Furr, and Martha Drye, and Phyllis Goodman. Dresses of various types were modelled by Barbara Dorton, Jewel Biggers, Shirley Pope, Peggy Cleaver, Patsy Castor, Juanita Morris, Cloie Sides, Barbara Landrum, Anne Garver, Evelyn Pipkin, Cora Mae Moore, Mary Jo Clark, Frances Carpenter, Martha Jane Alene Shoaf, Helen Shepherd, Jo Winecoff, Betty Simmons, Doris

Beck, Carol Newton, Nancy White, and Barbara Dorton.

Even though you haven't heard much about the **Elizabethtown FHA** members this year we are quite alive. We elected the 1950-51 officers at our last meeting and they are as follows: President, Nancy Morgan; Vice-president, Mary Anne Russ; Secretary, Sally McKoy; Treasurer, Jeanette Collier; Reporter, Alease Lennon; Historian, Clara Campbell; Pianist, Annie Byrd; Song Leader, Anne Stevens; Club Mother, Mrs. Channing Glenn; Club Adviser, Mrs. Sam Cross; Social Chairman, Clara Campbell; Refreshment Chairman, Geraldine Stanley; Parliamentarian, Anne Glenn; Project Chairman, Anne Doshier; Degree Chairman, Hilda Raly; Initiation Chairman, Paulina Graham; Decoration, Helen Averatte.

Some of our other activities thus far have been a tea for the new FHA members, a magazine campaign, a wiener roast at Mrs. Cross's, A Thanksgiving Turkey Party which is an annual affair to pay our FHA Dues, An Initiation Party, A Christmas Chicken Supper with the FHA boys, and also renovating toys for underprivileged boys and girls for Christmas.

In order to make clear the purposes of the FHA to its members and to others as well, Taylorsville chapter planned to use one of the eight purposes for each of the monthly meetings during the year. One of the most interesting and helpful so far was in October on the second purpose "The Importance of worthy Home Membership."

This meeting was in the form of a Mother-Daughter panel discussion. For two weeks prior to the meeting date a "question box" was placed in the Homemaking Department in which the girls were to place all questions they wished answered by the mothers. The day before meeting day the questions were divided and sent to each of the mothers agreeing to take part in the program.

As the group assembled in the auditorium there was a feeling of excitement. All ninety-nine chapter members were present and several F.F.A. boys who had heard about the meeting. All mothers were invited but only five were selected to take part in the discussion. As the chapter officers read the questions the mothers were ready with the answers. Excellent arguments were put up by the girls, but the mothers held the audience spellbound with their broad-minded and "down-to-earth" answers. When 9:30 was given as the hour in answer to "How late should a girl be allowed to stay out on week day dates" there was a gasp of disapproval from the audience. Afterwards, the girls living out from town pointed out it was impossible to see a movie, get a soda afterwards, and get home before 9:45.

At the close of the discussion

Mrs. Young showed a film entitled "Is Your Home Fun?," emphasizing the importance of individual responsibility in the home, and Family Council rather than dictatorship.

The **Alliance FHA Chapter**, now in its second year, have completed one of the best records of achievement ever accomplished by a similar group in their area, in the opinion of school and county farm and home officials.

As part of its participation in **FHA Week**, the **Alliance Club** completed these activities: filed and forwarded a gift package of hard-to-get items to a school group in Italy; wrote individual letters to school children in Italy; prepared and displayed a special homemakers exhibit in local stores; led a drive to clean up and beautify the school grounds; and staged school exercises celebrating the week.

The **Alliance Club**, the only one of its kind in Pamlico County, was made directly possible a year ago when the **Alliance High School** membership was doubled through the merger of the **Stonewall High School** classes with the **Alliance School**.

The **Vass-Lakeview** home economics department was the scene of a picturesque banquet given by the senior girls in honor of their mothers on Monday, December 18th, at 7 o'clock.

A Christmas atmosphere was set by the decorations used throughout the department. In addition to a Christmas tree and other traditional decorations, a different scene, that of a choir in which the angels as choirsters were flanked in the background by a stained glass window, was portrayed.

Banquet tables were centered with silver greenery and poinsettias.

Following the dinner games were played and Christmas carols were led by Miss Faye Hardy.

The mistress of ceremonies, Miss Eunice Parker, gave significant words of welcome. The daughters sang an appropriate song in dedication to their mothers. The evening was concluded by a friendship circle formed around the Christmas tree at which Miss Parker bade everyone adieu.

The teachers and their escorts were feted at a formal banquet, given by the **Henderson FHA Chapter** on November 21, in the home economics department. Barbara Wortham, the club president, gave the welcoming speech. Following this, Mrs. Cobb, the **FHA Director**, introduced our chapter father and mother, Dr. and Mrs. Gregg. The dinner consisted of tomato juice as the appetizer with baked ham, string beans, candied yams, candied apple salad, hot rolls and butter, coffee, and coconut cake. Dr. Gregg was the speaker for the evening. In his speech he told the guests the value of pure healthy food to our body. Thanks were extended by the president to all that helped in preparing the banquet.

The **Oak Grove Chapter** of the **Future Homemakers of America** has, as one of its projects, the care of children for parents during the monthly P. T. A. meetings. The **FHA** girls plan games, stories, drawing and painting, and show movies for children up to the age of eight. There have been as many as thirty-five children to attend and the average attendance is about twenty-five.

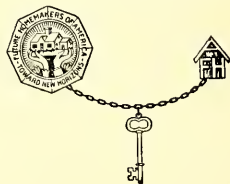
The picture, showing the girls caring for the children was made in the first grade room, showing the furniture for which the girls made a bedspread and chair covers and pillows as another project. The **FHA** members pictured, left to right, are Jean Griffin, Vida King, Joan Griffin, and Carolyn Tice.

The officers of the **FHA Chapter** of **Asheboro** went to Farmer to help the home economics students of **Farmer High School** recognize a chapter.

Sue Haskins, president of the **Asheboro Chapter** introduced the officers as follows: Joan Carlton, reporter; who told some of the **ASH-Hi Club** activities; Joanne Scott, Historian; and Carolyn Maness, vice-president, who explained the degrees; Betty Humble, song leader, who told about rallies and conventions; and Stella Anne Kemp, treasurer, who told us about dues and the state summer camp. Betty Humble then lead the singing of the **FHA** song. Dorothy Marion, secretary, and Peggy Lamar, parliamentarian, were unable to attend the meeting.

After the meeting, the girls of the **Farmer Home Economics Department** served refreshments of punch and cookies to our guests.

The **Belmont High School FHA** entertained their mothers and the faculty at an informal tea on Thursday afternoon, December 14, from 3:30 to 4:30. Christmas decorations were used throughout the **Home Economics laboratory**. The tea table centered with an illuminated arrangement of Christmas greens surrounded by lighted tapers. Another arrangement which attracted particular interest was the most artistic Christmas wreath created from turnip greens, onions, carrots, popcorn, and camberries. Christmas records were played softly during the afternoon. Trudy Black, Lois Jean Shuler and Miss Margaret Blair greeted guests at the door, and Anne Dixon poured tea. Sandwiches, cookies, and candies carrying out the Christmas theme were served by Joann Sorrells, Delores Hoover, Jacqueline Arrowood, and Alma Poteat. During the afternoon fifty guests called.



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We are the Future Homemakers of America
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope,
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking
Old and precious values.

For we are the builders of homes,
Homes for America's future.
Homes where living will be the expression of everything
That is good and fair.
Homes where truth and love and security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

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"The homes of tomorrow are in
the hands of the youth
of today"

CAROLINE SAYS



HOUSE BLESSING

Bless the Four Corners of this
House,
And be the Lintel Blest;
And bless the Hearth, and bless
the Board,
And bless each Place of Rest:
And bless the Door that opens
wide
To Stranger as to Kin;
And bless each crystal Window-
pane
That lets the Starlight in;
And bless the Roof-tree overhead
And every sturdy Wall;
The Peace of Man, the Peace of
God,
The Peace of Love on all!
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Sixth Annual State Convention

One thousand, three hundred and thirty-five F.H.A. delegates, their advisers and guests met on April 21, for the sixth state convention. The day was perfect, the setting beautiful and the friendly chatter of the F.H.A.'ers will long be remembered. Following the color bearers the executive board proceeded to the platform promptly at ten o'clock. The opening ceremony was followed by devotions led by Rock Spring delegates. A warm welcome was extended to the group by Nancy Holloway, President of the High Point Chapter and a friendly talk by Mr. Niles Hunt, director of vocational education in the school.

Miss Dennis, our State Adviser, gave us a brief resume of the work of the year and then discussed the plans for the National Leader-

ship Conference which is to be held in East Lansing, Michigan, July 2-6, 1951. Since District C of the Southern Region is eligible for a vice-president, we got busy and elected Nancy Bright of High Point to be our candidate for the office. Colleen Cooper, the new parliamentarian conducted the campaign.

Martha Fulcher, State Vice-President, then presented Barbara Geer, of Rutherfordton, who is working hard to complete the requirements for the American Homemaker Degree. Our best wishes are for you, Barbara!

Toddy Smith, in her usual charming and friendly manner presented the various special numbers of the program. We were delighted with the way the Taylorsville Chapter put on the play "The Ins and Outs."

In the same interesting way, Boyden and Spencer girls led a panel on the play which gave us many suggestions about relationships and personality development.

Both Olema Grant of Deep Run and Juanita Nurnburger accompanied by Shirley Kennedy, of Red Springs are to be congratulated for their special talent. They have lovely voices. A spontaneous applause was given often to Betty Sellers while she demonstrated her remarkable acrobatic ability. And Gaynelle Buff, in costume, ended this part of

The water is fine—come on down to White Lake—May 28 - June 2 and June 4-9. Girls swimming at Camp.



Clara Jean awarding Honorary State Membership to Mr. Rueben Baughn of Mayodan.

the program with three humorous songs.

The luncheon was delicious and all of us appreciate the efforts of Mrs. Meta Jackson and her corps of workers in the luncheon room.

Kenneth Perry, State President of the F.F.A., was introduced by Mary Ann Simpson, our song leader. He not only brought us greetings but also a lot of blarney which women like to hear.

The Association conferred State Honorary Membership upon Mr. Reuben Baughn of Mayodan for his enthusiastic interest and constant support to the local chapter, the district and state. We are happy to recognize the efforts of a Chapter Father.

The new officers for 1951-52 were duly installed and the meeting ended with the closing ceremony promptly at three o'clock. It had been a long day but one full of

beauty and interest. Our thanks go to High Point Chapter, High School, the local advisers, Kem Bray and Pete Jones, and all the others who helped to make it such a grand occasion.



Anson Youths Hold Unique Conferences

Some 250 Anson County high school youths, pitching headlong into questions their parents often fear tackling, have concluded one of the most unique conferences ever held in North Carolina. Their parents should have heard them—talking in all earnestness about such things as “going steady,” blind dating, managing the family’s money, puppy love, use of the family auto, race relations, growing up emotionally, courteous auto driving, and numerous other things.

Hobbies on inhibitions were loosed; the youngsters gave vent to their ideas and ideals, their aspirations and taboos.

They came here from each of the eight Anson County high schools. All the senior classes were here, and many representatives of the lower classes.

It was entitled “Youth Day,” and the conference—rather the conferences—went on under sponsorship of the Morven High School Future Homemakers of America, the Morven chapter of Future Farmers of America and the Morven Parent-Teacher association.

Listening to these youngsters, boys and girls, freely express themselves on problems which perplex every youth and stump most parents, one couldn’t help from feeling that the future of Anson County and North Carolina will be safe in their hands.

After meeting in eight separate discussion groups, presided over by adult leaders from various parts of the state, the youths assembled in the auditorium to report on the conclusions reached in their respective talkfests. They had their conclusions written down, too. “Going steady” with one boy or one girl is detrimental to the best interests of both. Blind dates, they agree, were not generally enjoyable. “Courtesy in driving is more important than courtesy in other things because it’s a matter of life and death.”

The discussion group which tackled the question, “How to get along with Mother and Daddy,” really should have been monitored by all parents. The kids weren’t critical; they were charitable, searching, forthright, intelligent.

"God's Garden Spot"

By DR. RALPH W. SOCKMAN

When we put down the daily paper on a typical morning, we are prone to be depressed. The power of the Kremlin seems to be casting an ever lengthening shadow across the world. The Orient appears to be disintegrating into an increasingly dangerous condition. Western Europe is so divided that help is difficult. Our own capital echoes with cries of accusation and alarm. On every side are the signs of cold war with fears of future hot conflict.

But on these May mornings we also see another aspect of God's world. In this northern hemisphere the earth is bursting with the life-giving forces of spring. Beauty is covering the scars of winter. Nature puts away the hooded cloak of coldness and dons the mantle of grace.

And amid this general beautification of nature, which is to be seen in every hedgerow and forest, there are dotted gardens where man is co-worker with God in the creation of loveliness. In these gardens the hard earth is mellowed into soft beds where seeds are laid, there to leave their shells and rise into rich colors and graceful forms. When we stop to ponder it, the mystery of growth as seen in gardens restores the soul and renews a right spirit within us.

What the garden is to nature, the home is to human nature. It is the spot where the soil is prepared for life, where the seeds of life take root, and where the roots of life grow into the fruits of the spirit. And on this Mother's Day I want to look with you at God's Garden Spot, the home.

Back in the twelfth chapter of Genesis, the eighth verse we read of *Abram*, the first of the Hebrew patriarchs, these words: "*And he pitched his tent . . . and builded an altar . . . and called upon the name of the Lord.*" In the very beginning of Hebrew history the home is linked with God. This union of family life and religious faith is the bond which helped to hold the Hebrew people together during their enslavement in Egypt, their wandering in the wilderness, their exile in Babylon, and their persecution in the centuries since.

And the history of the Christian faith attests the same dependence on the home as the center of religious culture. In the Book of Acts we read of the early Christians:

"Not for a single day did they cease to teach and preach the gospel of Jesus the Christ in the temple and at home." Yes, the home is God's Garden Spot.

First of all, the home is the garden where the soil is prepared for life. When we hear an adult say, "The world owes me a living" we deny his doctrine. The world does not owe a living to drones. But it does to infants. The child is brought into the world not at its own behest; and the parent who does not assume responsibility for the care of his child, we rightly call inhuman.

No infant could survive more than a few hours unless the soil was prepared for its start. The very elements which make for a child's growth have to be adjusted to it or they would destroy it. The sunlight must be filtered in the right degree lest it impair the vision of the infant's opening eyes. The little one must be guided to its food lest it starve or poison itself. Without a specially prepared soil, the tender plant of childhood would quickly perish.

And we grown-ups, if we are to have a life worth living, must have some garden spots where the soil is more congenial than the hard street. We need some places where we can get away from the curious, unfeeling stare of the crowd and look into eyes that understand and sympathize. We need some circle where we can unpack our hearts with words and where listening love sifts the wheat from the chaff of our chatter and goes on caring for us in spite of our weaknesses. We need those home spots where we can get away from the cutting edge of competition and allow our better natures to be brought out by cooperation and compassion.

Not all of us find congenial mates and make homes through marriage. But few of us are so alone that we do not have some ties with the homes of our childhood, our relatives or our friends. And how bravely some persons who live alone make their rooms into homey places by surrounding themselves with tokens and objects of affection. We adults never outgrow the need and longing for a home.

Granted all this, what does religion add to the soil of a home? Recently I saw a chart showing that homes in which the members had no church affiliation had almost three times as high a divorce rate as those whose members belonged to some church. God puts into the soil

of the home certain fertilizing elements.

For instance, true godliness transforms the possessiveness of love into a sense of trusteeship. So often we become selfishly possessive of our husbands or wives or children. That attitude makes for jealousy and bitterness. Was it not Professor George Herbert Palmer who said of his wife Alice Freeman, "I never called her mine." He loved her deeply but he avoided treating her as his possession. Rather he sought to be the trustee of her interests, ever with an eye to her welfare. Such is the kind of love godliness engenders in a home.

Also God develops the grace of forgiveness. Into every home misunderstandings come. There are times when our affections freeze up because of some change in the family weather. But when we let in the sunlight of God's presence, the icicles springs of the heart thaw out, and oh, what fun it is to "make up."

God replenishes the supply of grace which is needed to lubricate the wheels of the home, for even affection can develop friction through intimate contact. But a truly godly home is a place of gracious hospitality, a place where mothers make it pleasant for their daughter's friends, where boys like to bring their buddies, where in short there are the things which are nice "to come home to."

In my youth I was greatly moved by Charles Rann Kennedy's drama, "The Servant in the House." The humble workman who came to fix the drain in the church was the embodiment of the Nazarene Master. And he transformed the whole household from a place of lifeless self-centeredness to a place of gracious and radiant living. And I remember, too, that the home to which this wonder-working Servant came was the home of a clergyman, for we ministers who handle the sacraments of the church and the most sacred moments of human life need the ever renewing consciousness of God to keep us sensitive to the mystery of a new baby, the beauty of baptism, the romance of marriage and the sorrow of bereavement.

Yes, both as infants and adults we need the garden spots of God where the soil is specially prepared for living.

Secondly, the home is God's garden spot where the seeds of life take root. So early does this process of sowing begin in childhood that Hor-

ace Bushnell, one of the most formative preachers America has produced declared: "Let every Christian father and mother understand, when their child is three years old, that they have done more than half of all they will ever do for his character."

That may seem hard to believe. But the magic spell of a good and happy home begins to work on a little heart long before the age of conscious memory. That is why a certain young mother began to pray aloud with her baby almost immediately after it was born.

In those early impressionable years a child absorbs attitudes. And in our changing world attitudes are more important than skills. The skills we learn today may be outmoded twenty years hence. The automobiles of 1980 may be driven by atomic energy and our skill in driving the present motors may not be adequate for the new day, although I must confess some of our youth seem to be driving by atomic energy even now! But while skills may become useless, good attitudes do not. The child that catches a positive, courageous, hopeful attitude toward life will be blessed thereby to the end of his days.

Ideas as well as attitudes take root. When a child asks, "Mother, if I hadn't been your little girl, who would I have been?" She is opening her mind to ideas about the meaning and worth of being a person. A prominent minister, with a large family whose members have been born in various places where he has served, was explaining to his youngest child that one brother was born in Oregon, one sister in Ohio, another in New York, and so on. Whereupon the little girl said, "Daddy, isn't it funny how we all came to get together?" She was getting at the secret of the family. And the little boy who asked, "How can God think of me when there are so many things for him to do in the world?" was beginning to face the inexhaustible question of our Heavenly Father's care.

And when a child asks his mother about God and life, she cannot put him off by saying, "I'll look it up in the encyclopedia." No encyclopedia can be a substitute for a parent's spiritual experience. Out of the heart must come the issues and the answers of life to life.

Moreover, the answers to these questions take root according to the child's experience. How can you explain to a little fellow the trust-

worthy love of a Heavenly Father if he has never known the love of an earthly parent whom he can trust?

Not only do the seeds of attitudes and ideas take root in the earliest childhood, but values as well. If at the family table the talk is all about getting a new car or new clothes or new furnishings, the child gets the impression that the most important interests of life are material things. He may hear at the church that we must put God first but he knows that in his home things come first.

There are some things which our forefathers made in their homes but which we now buy outside. Once women spun the flax on the family spinning wheel. Now we get our clothes made outside. There is one thing however, which cannot be produced as well outside the home, and that is religious faith.

Bobbie Burns beheld the cotter in his humble home on a Saturday night with the children around him and the Bible before him and he wrote:

"From scenes like this old Scotia's
grandeur springs

Which makes her loved at home,
revered abroad."

And if the simple old home had such potency, the modern home can have immeasurably more, for into our family circles can be brought now the world's best music, and the world's news. With this as material for conversation and enjoyment, the home life can be enriched and social outlooks on races and nations can be widened.

Ah, yes, with all respect to the good old-fashioned homes, the homes of today with their better housing, their longer leisure, their wider insights, can be made richer gardens of God than our grandfather enjoyed.

And now let us remember that the home is the garden of God where not only the soil is prepared for life and the seeds of life take root but also the roots grow into the fruits of the spirit.

A marriage is not necessarily good merely because it lasts. We have known homes which never went to the divorce courts and yet were so drab in their love life that daughters became utterly disillusioned about marriage. We talk about "making love" as if it were something that takes place before marriage. The real test of love-making comes after we have won our mates. The heartiest congratulations are due to the two persons who can

take one marriage and make it into a rich and growing experience.

Such love is the result of cultivation. Love, like a garden must be tended. Recently I read a list of ten suggestions for enriching home life. Among them were such things as having fun together, developing common interests, celebrating special days, singing together—simple homely things, yes, but it is little homely things that make homes richer. Some homes have a family council, in which the parents and children, especially from twelve years up, plan together their programs of expenditures and amusements. Thus the family becomes a partnership of free minds in which the experiences of the elders supplement the experiences of the younger.

And of course, in the list of suggestions for bettering the home was that of worshiping together and also sacrificing together. When sister Mary gives up something so that John can finish high school, a bond is strengthened into the home. And when all make some sacrifice for God's work through the church or mission field, the family is not impoverished but greatly enriched.

The home is God's Garden Spot and so long as we are willing to be workers together with God in cultivating the soil of love, sowing the seeds of life, and raising the fruits of the spirit, our homes give no ground for hope in a better and braver world.

PRAYER: Eternal God, who committest to us the swift and solemn trust of life, teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom. We beseech Thee for all who are near and dear to us; for little children that they may grow in grace and goodness, for the aged that they may have clear shining at eventide, for men busy with the affairs of life and women burdened with household cares, that the peace of God may fill their hearts and minds. We praise Thee this day for mother love which has blessed the earth with the best gifts of life, and we pray that all the mothers of men may reap the harvest of their labors in lives made better and a world made more brotherly. Guard the families of our land and guide us into the family of nations that we may be worthy to enter Thy eternal home: through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

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Democracy in the Home

In most families where there are three or more children there is usually conflict between them as to who does what job unless it's been arranged satisfactory by the parents or at a family council. And I think most of you will agree that everyone should have a certain job. Well, here's where the part of democracy comes in. I don't know whether many of you and your families have a family council as they had in "Cheaper by the Dozen" or not, but if we would have them, we could use this time to discuss all the reasons why we should do Bill's job, and he ours, or who should have the bathroom first in the mornings or anything of this sort. This would be democracy in action in the home—free speech settling disputes.

In days of old it was a popular maxim that children should be seen and not heard, but wiser home builders have come to the conclusion through their own experience, that children are people and that it is beneficial both to the child, its family, and good home relationships for them to be given the privilege of expressing their own opinions. This doesn't mean that children nowadays are given full rein and free choice in every important decision they are to make. This was popular a few years back, both in the home and in the school. This was after the First World War. Today's homemakers are working hand in hand with teachers to give the children more careful guidance in choice of opinion, and that is expected to build up good citizenship and democracy in the home which in turn will help to build a more democratic community, state, and nation.

I think Democracy in the home means that each child and parent feel a responsibility to the home and that it is his duty as well as a privilege, to contribute to good home life.

I wonder if you could say there is democracy in a home where the mother does all your work, cleaning your rooms, and picking up all your clothes, and choosing all your clothes for you if your Dad tells you every move to make.

No, I'm sure you would say there isn't any democracy in this home, but we can do away with unpleasant things in a home by working together in planning our work and

play and learning to compromise when the occasion demands it.

Nancy McBride
Taylorsville Chapter.



Bulletin Board at Rutherfordton High



Scotland Neck "F. H. A."-ers ready for the tobacco market.



Rachel Jones and Dorothy Haynes making shell ear-bobs at Cliffside.

Money! Money! Money!

Is your chapter one which affiliates early and has funds available for activities planned during the year? If not the following suggestions might be helpful. Why not set a definite time for dues to be in so you can get your state and national dues in early. Elect a secretary who knows her P's and Q's; then you will have accurate records of cash receipts and disbursements, which is important to any chapter.

Plan your budget for the year early. Before you can have a good budget planned you must have a program of work. Have the treasurer to serve as chairman of the financial committee, and the chairman of the program of work committee as another member of the committee. I think five is a good number of members to serve on the committee.

The financial committee should take the program of work, and estimate the cost of each activity planned. They should plan ways of raising the necessary money to meet the activities planned. After this is done announce your estimated budget. Be careful to try not to estimate it too high or too low. Hit a mid-way mark if possible.

Are you having any money problems that can be helped? Well, I hope these suggestions will help you.

Lorena Pace.
State Treasurer.

Bethel in Haywood sold furniture polish and ice cream.

Cliffside chapter has found "shell craft" to be both popular and profitable. They made money selling ear-ring pin sets.

Wilton sold cards for special occasions.

Scotland Neck collected tobacco and sold it on the Tarboro Market.

Sandy Ridge sold vegetable garden-seed.

Stovall sold Christmas cards.

Sherrill's Ford made and sold sandwiches and cup cakes at ball games. A cake walk netted \$30.00.

Biltmore sold flavoring.

Franklinville Chapter raised the money by having a "Cake and Goody" Sale.

February 23, 1951
Barnesville, North Carolina

Dear Betty Sue,

I know that you haven't heard much about the F. H. A. club down here but when Joan told me you were interested, I couldn't resist the temptation to write and let you know about a few of the things we've done this year.

Early this fall the officers, we elected last spring, were installed and now are well acquainted with their duties.

Maybe you know some of the girls. They are: President, Nettie Ruth Grainger; Vice-president, Mary Lou Scott; Secretary, Peggy McLellan (surely you know her); Treasurer, Joyce Ivey; Parliamentarian, Genola Patterson; Song Leader, Molly Ivey; Recreation Leader, Charlotte Britt; Historian, Joe Anne Gibson; Pianist, Betty Gale Floyd; and Reporter, Ann Lee.

Some of the highlights of our year's program have been:

(a) Compiling a year book and distributing them among the club members.

(b) Initiation was lots of fun for the whole school. I wish I could go into detail and tell you all about it, but it would take entirely too long. Maybe I can some other time.

Our club sponsored a Christmas card sale in early fall. It was in the form of a contest. The club was divided into teams and the losing team gave the team that sold the most cards a party. We took in well over a hundred dollars.

I guess you heard about the Christmas Party we gave in honor of our boy friends on December 21. It was formal and we had lots of fun. But it never could have been done without lots of planning and work and the help of our adviser, Mrs. H. L. Burleson.

Our club was well represented at District Rally this year

An officer, member of our club, was our candidate for the county-wide "Christmas Jubilee Queen"; she was our school queen—Ann Lee.

Also at Christmas time we packed an overseas gift box of needed articles and sent it to teenage boys and girls in Germany.

Several of our members have acquired the Chapter Homemaker Degree and the Junior Homemaker Degree.

On February 14th, we, the F. H. A. Club honored our mothers with our annual Mother-Daughter Banquet. The valentine motif was carried out in red and white. Our chapter mother, Mrs. J. T. Gibson, gave an interesting and inspiring talk as a response.

Now, I hope that you aren't in the fog as much as before and I hope you're interested in becoming a club member.

Until I have more news and bits of interesting data to pass on, I remain

As ever,
Beverly Hardin.



Rutherford County F. H. A. officers—Margaret McGinnis, song leader; Evelyn Carswell, Vice-President; Ann Fisher, President; Doris Hunt, Secretary (seated); Doreen Carver, Parliamentarian; Eloise Cobb, Treasurer; Joan Jenkins, Reporter (standing).



Clara Jean takes time out to chat with Kenneth Perry, State F. F. A. President.

Chapter Chatter

Rachel Beasley, **Mayodan Chapter**, is secretary of the Interstate (North Carolina-South Carolina) Tri Hi. She was elected at the meeting held in Spartanburg, S. C.

The project committee of **Franklin F. H. A.** (Surry County) has been active in redecorating the girls' rest room. They painted the walls and all the woodwork in two shades of green. A long dressing table was built along one wall. The windows were curtained with gaily flowered material. The members who did this project combined fun with their work as they stayed after school to paint and as some painted others cooked a hamburger supper.

The **Red Oak Chapter** served the local Ruritan Club twice and sold Christmas Cards. About one hundred-thirty dollars was cleared on these projects. That is not the only way we received money. At the Rocky Mount Agricultural Fair we entered an exhibit and won first place which added fifty dollars to our treasury. Our exhibit was on refinishing old furniture which showed a refinished dresser into a dressing table, a chest, a recovered chair, a waste can made from an ice cream container, and lamps made from bottles. We were very proud of our exhibit as it expressed what we had done in classwork during our housing unit.

With some of this money, we used it to help pay for refinishing our classroom tables, make draperies, and refinish our floors. We have the same furniture but since it has been refinished, it looks like new. To our classroom walls have been added our F. H. A. creek, our eight purposes, the emblem, the degrees and their meanings—all framed.

The F. H. A. girls at **Zeb Vance** entertained their mothers at the annual Mother-Daughter Banquet Thursday, February 22, at 6:30 o'clock. The opening and closing ritual was used and after dinner a play was given titled "Home Sweet Home." The dinner was served buffet style with the colors of the club, red and white, being used.

Awards were presented to members completing their work for the Junior and Chapter Homemaker degrees. The following received keys for the Junior Homemaker degrees: Geneva Woodlief, Jo Anne Moss, Elizabeth Mustian, Louise Sloan, Mary Frances Kerley, Mary Lou Stone, Barbara Langston, Vernelle Johnson, Mary Jane Clayton, Jean Grissom, Elsie Anna Coghill, Barbara Kittrell, and Ruby Pernell. Those receiving the scroll were Margie Brown, Sally Jo Coghill and Clarice Coghill.

Mrs. W. A. Watson, the Club Adviser, presented a gavel guard to Margie Brown, the president of the club for her work through the year. We all had a wonderful time and hope that next year we will be able to have a hundred per cent attendance.

Sherrill's Ford Chapter has made many contributions to Purpose 4—helped raise money for the polio drive raised money to send delegates to National Leadership Conference; collected waste paper in the community drive; and served at the annual Alumni Banquet.

Etowah Chapter decided to adopt a foreign homemaking class as our project for this year and next. Our sponsor told us about two foreign missionaries in Borneo who conduct a school in connection with their mission work. Mrs. Baughman teaches homemaking to the girls in the school. We will correspond with these girls and also plan to send several boxes to the school during the year.

The F. F. A. boys helped the **Seaboard Chapter** when they served the meal at the Mother-Daughter banquet which was held in the school cafeteria earlier this spring.

Stovall girls went formal when they entertained "the best boy-friend" at the home of their adviser, Mrs. L. C. Boyd. It proved very exciting because Mr. V. S. Puckett stopped in and took flash pictures of the group.

Cornelius F. H. A., reports a busy year for that chapter.

The **Nash-Franklin F. H. A.**, held its spring rally at Coopers High School. In the absence of the president, Jane Edwards, vice-president, presided. The opening ceremony was used in the beginning of the rally. Red Oak had devotional which was followed by greetings from Coopers.

Roll call of schools was answered by a talent from each school. This offered quite a variety, all of which were thoroughly enjoyed.

The **Louisburg Chapter** presented the candidates for offices and gave their campaign managers a few minutes to campaign for them. Those elected were: Doris Garner, president; Red Oak; Jeanette Joyner, vice-president, Nashville; Nancy Edwards, secretary, Spring Hope; Sarah Miller, treasurer, Bailey; Sue Manning, song leader, Middlesex. Middlesex won the attendance prize which is a large F. H. A. banner.

The meeting was adjourned with the closing ceremony.

Two **Rockingham F. H. A.** members won in the dress contest sponsored by Sinter National Young Designers. Mary Cecil Brown entered a quilted reversible circular skirt and wesket. Brown wool jersey on one side and lime cotton flannel on the other. It was quite individual and showed much originality. She won first prize in the State on this garment made principally of the cotton flannel. She received a \$25.00 Savings Bond.

Eloise Bogan entered a pajamas and robe set. This was also very original as she changed both patterns quite a bit. For this she received the highest certificate of award for 1950 (in the state).

The Future Homemakers of **Vance and Warren** counties held their annual meeting at Middleburg High School. The devotions was given by Littleton followed by a talent show with Henderson High in charge. Everyone enjoyed the songs and acting. Norlina won the badge contest for having the most attractive badges. Zeb Vance High showed three short movies which we all enjoyed. After the meeting adjourned refreshments were served in the Home Economics Department at Middleburg. Approximately one hundred seventy-six members were present. The new officers for next year are: President, Geneva Woodlief; Vice-President, Mattie Hunter; Secretary, Louise Sloan; Parliamentarian, Ann Tucker; Historian, Jewel Rose; Song Leader, Ruth

Gill; Treasurer, Betty Barnes; Reporter, Ruth Turner.

While the F. H. A. classes at **Red Springs** have been studying agriculture and shop work, the Future Farmers have been busy learning a few things about Home Economics, that will probably come in mighty handy one of these days soon. A rough outline of some of the things we learned includes how to cook certain things, how to match colors, what to do and how to act on certain occasions.

Ninety-four chapter officers, advisers and chapter mothers of the **Surry-Yadkin Federation of Future Homemakers of America** had a banquet at the Blue Ridge Hotel, the occasion of the third annual officers banquet of Future Homemakers of America.

Betty Jo Quesinberry of the Franklin Chapter presided over the banquet in the absence of the president, Mildred Leonard, Franklin, who was ill. The invocation was sung by the group using the F. H. A. Prayer Song which was led by the song leader, Barbara Nichols of Pilot Mountain Chapter. A varied program of music, contests, and stunts was given with each of the ten chapters making a contribution.

The climax of the evening was the installation of new officers for the year 1951-52 with the **Franklin Chapter** in charge of the candlelight service. The new officers and the chapters they represent are as follows: President, Kay Venable, Copeland; Vice-president, Edna Guyer, Elkin; Secretary, Jo Ann Hodges, Dobson; Treasurer, Annie Mae Hiatt, Flat Rock; Reporter, Nancy Jones, Pilot Mountain; Historian, Lola Spainhour, Jonesville; Parliamentarian, Betty Jean Moxley, Boonville; Song Leader, Bonnie Williams, Yadkinville; Recreation Chairman, Iris Nichols, Franklin; Chaplain, Janice Dobson, Mount Airy.

Since this was **Franklinville's** first year of F. H. A. affiliation we wanted to introduce the chapter and its purposes to mothers and friends, as well as to do something for their mothers. We chose an Easter Tea for the event. The Home Economics Department is a very small one, and packed with equipment, so our only choice of a place was the High School Library. You'd be surprised what a transformation took place in a matter of hours. The room was cleaned from top to bottom, tables pushed aside and decorated with jonquils and other spring flowers; students talented in art drew pictures on the blackboard suggestive of the Easter season, and, of course, the lovely arrayed tea table captivated the center of interest. During the hour from four until five about fifty guests were welcomed. The only program they planned was a group of Easter songs, because they wanted to spend their time in knowing and entertaining their mothers. A bulletin board was arranged to explain the symbols, emblem and purposes of the club.

The **Burke-McDowell** unit of the Future Homemakers met at the Morganton High School for a F. H. A. Rally. Over 200 girls registered with advisers, Chapter Mothers, principals and other guests.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Betty Rose Powell, with the welcome given by Bette Davis of the Morganton Chapter, and the response by Drexel Chapter. Nebo Chapter was



in charge of devotions. The program "F. H. A. in Focus" consisted of skits representing various phases of home life.

The president then recognized the guests and introduced the county officers. Special recognition was given to Miss Louise Swann, Assistant State Supervisor of Home Economics Education; Miss Mavis Allman, Western District F. H. A. Adviser; and Mrs. DeLanie Winchester, County F. H. A. Adviser. A number of principals and chapter mothers.

The New Bern F. H. A. girls toured Raleigh Thursday, March 29, 1951, chaperoned by Mrs. Kenneth Spruill and Mrs. L. H. Banks. They visited the State Capital Textile School at State College which proved very interesting and enjoyable; the Hall of History, Fred Fletcher's Radio Program; Sears Roebuck and Hudson Belks stores and the State School for the Blind. The group had lunch at the S & W before returning home. They arrived in New Bern at 9:30 p.m.

Dorothy Clark, president of the Bragtown FHA, represented her school in the Constitution Contest sponsored by the American Legion in February. She was judged second in the county. She is also a member of the Bragtown debating team and was chosen best speaker.

On March 27, Daphne Mayton, treasurer of the Bragtown FHA, represented her school in the Soil Conservation Contest sponsored by the State Bankers Association. She won second place in the county. She was also an alternate on the debating team and is a member of the cast of the senior play, "Oliver Twist."

The Peachland Chapter of the Future Homemakers of America Association was shocked and saddened by the sudden death of its Chapter Father, the Reverend Mr. Powell Sherrill, by heart attack.

Mr. Sherrill had taken an active interest in the Association. He had attended the District and County Rallies. His passing was greatly felt by the members.

The Greatest Mystery of American History

Only the twig-cracking footfalls of the men broke the awful stillness, as Governor John White hastened his little detachment through the open gate of Fort Raleigh.

Inside the pointed-log stockade, more silence met them. Dead silence. A mysterious, frightening quiet which hung like a heavy blanket over the first English settlement in the New World.

The Governor halted the group—and the eerie scene froze the men where they stood, with each pair of eyes straining, searching for a single sign of life . . . or even, death.

But outwardly there was nothing amiss. No hint of violence. No mark of fire or warfare.

The Governor bewilderedly scratched his beard and pondered two solitary facts: One was carved upon a tree . . . a mysterious message in a single word, "CROATOAN." The other fact was evident . . . 117 human beings—including the Governor's own grandchild, Virginia Dare—had vanished from the spot!

Today, you can judge for yourself what became of the Lost Colony. After more than 350 years, you can see and hear this exciting mystery re-enacted on the very spot where it occurred!

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Telling the complete story of the colony, the play depicts Sir Walter's plans in Elizabethan England. . . the arrival of the colonists . . . the birth of Virginia Dare—first child of English parentage in the New World—on August 18, 1587. . . Governor White's return to England. . . Indian attacks. . . and the colonists marching into the dim recesses of time.

Were they massacred by Indians? Was the colony exterminated by Spaniards then at war with England? Did they escape to the nearby island of Croatoan and intermarry with friendly Indians?

Draw your own conclusions, as you watch this epic pageant unfold not only the greatest mystery of all history. . . but one of the most stirring chapters in our American heritage!

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Can You Do This?



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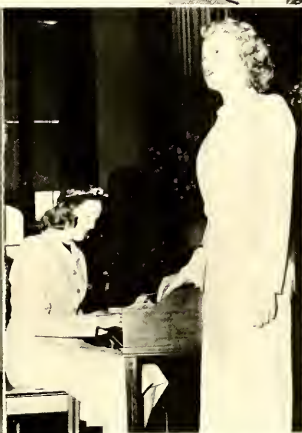
Food Tastes Good

Our Panel

Tennessee Waltz



Our Singers



Future Homemakers of America

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We are the Future Homemakers of America
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope,
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking
Old and precious values.

For we are the builders of homes,
Homes for America's future.
Homes where living will be the expression of everything
That is good and fair.
Homes where truth and love and security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

We are the Future Homemakers of America.
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope.



"The homes of tomorrow are in
the hands of the youth
of today"

CAROLINE SAYS



Our ways of doing all the everyday things, from the moment we begin a day till its closed, our entrances and exits, our manner of sitting and rising, speaking, walking, talking, meeting friends, giving orders, doing business, entertaining and being entertained, going here and there about the earth, form the exterior which is all most people ever get of us. There may be pure gold deep down inside, but we can't ask the busy world to stop and mind us to find out. The evidences of its being there had better come to the surface in the "happy way" if we want to be appreciated, to get the most out of living, and to give the most. We owe it to ourselves — and those with whom we travel — to be a pleasure person. Some of the most worthy people in the world go unloved and unappreciated to their graves because of their bad manners. Let us begin to remedy this defect in our national living, and let us begin the remedy where we begin the defect — in the home.

—From "SINGING IN THE RAIN"

by Anne Shannon Monroc.



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NORTH CAROLINA DELEGATES TO LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

First row, left to right: Kathryn Woodard; Joan Kelly; Nancy Bright; Catherine T. Dennis; Pearlline Ennis; Peggy Woods; Elizabeth Crews; Barbara Geer; Thelma Mayfield. Second row: Miriam Scott; Pamela Bigham; Mrs. Frances Rich; Betty Talbert; Jane Grey Brumley; Carmel Long; Barbara Priddy. Absent were: Mrs. Sallie Broughton and Mrs. Martha Black.

ALL ABOARD!

(A diary by the delegates)

Yes, the last North Carolina girl has boarded the "Southern" headed for the National Future Homemakers of America Leadership Conference at East Lansing Michigan to be held during the week of July 2-6.

By one o'clock on Saturday, June 30, we were all starving and two of our advisers, Mrs. Black and Mrs. Broughton had prepared a lunch for us—picnic style.

From North Carolina to Tennessee to Kentucky to Ohio and to Michigan we were accompanied by car loads of sailors. We must admit, however, that the day would have been lonesome without them.

Five times the North Carolina Southern Bell had to yerse the yankee sailors in a repeat of the civil war.

Many times they would remark and tease about our speech and they would constantly say of our organization "Future Homemakers."

Once we were lucky enough to get a laugh off one of the officers. One of the North Carolina Homemakers remarked about the pretty cows in a pasture as we past and a sailor politely told her that she made the "u" sound too long. Then an officer kindly said to them "What difference does it make where I



Lost? Does this explain why Mrs. Broughton and Mrs. Black were not present when the group picture was taken?

came from we call cows bulls anyway."

Some of us had never ridden on a train or on a pullman anyway, but it was really an experience to crawl into the berths on Saturday night. Well, that is if you were lucky enough not to get sick.

Saturday—June 30—Pearline Oh boy! Sunday morning. A few

more hours and we would be in Lansing. Sunday seemed to slip by fast though because all of us girls were well occupied with the sailors on our car. We sang songs and talked to them and as northerners always do, they teased us about our accent and called us "Southern Belles." We didn't mind the teasing too much until one of our Belles from the South said, "Have you all seen my suitcase." Then the whole car load of sailors went up in an uproar and mocked the way she said, "you all."

We really did enjoy the trip but we all wanted to get to the college where we could take a hot bath and where we could walk without having to brace ourselves against something to keep from falling.

When we finally reached Lansing, we took a bus out to the college and were awed by the sight of the beautiful campus and buildings. Then we registered and, I can't truthfully say slept, but we did go to bed.

Sunday—July 1—Kathryn

As usual we were awoken by the gentle (?) rap on our doors at 6:45 on Monday morning. After eating our eggs and toast, several of us went walking around the front of the dormitory where we saw the biggest cow we'd ever seen! (In the pasture, across the street, of course.)

Our jobs assigned, we all went to our respective groups, to receive training and instruction for the jobs we were to have for the rest of the week. Most of us were either hostesses, observers, recorders, consultants or discussion leaders, so we went to hear Mr. Larry Taylor explain our jobs. One of us was on the Evaluation Committee.

After lunch we had our first general session in Fairchild theatre. That afternoon most of us went shopping in East Lansing. The clerks were so amused with our southern drawl, that in many cases they made reduction on our purchases!

After eating another wonderful meal, we walked, harmonizing as we went to the music building to have our meetings. Again today, our hearts were glad for Miss Allen, who led us in more singing.

Some of the tired ones returned to their rooms after this, while others sat in the lounge and watched television and enjoyed the fellowship with other girls, and then to

bed—another busy, profitable, enjoyable day was done.

Barbara Geer & Nancy.

Tuesday—July 3, 1951 Dear Diary:

This morning at 6:45 we were awakened by a knock at our door. At first we were startled, but then we realized it was Miss Dennis waking us. We dressed and had breakfast, after which we went to the morning conferences where Dr. Sponbery talked to us about parliamentary procedure. We then went to lunch, which was very good. The afternoon program consisted of our group discussions and sub-regional meetings. At sub-region Nancy Bright was introduced as our candidate for vice-president, and we discussed the 1951-52 Program of Work.

The highlight of the day was our F.H.A. Banquet at 5:30. We were served a very delicious meal, and group singing was enjoyed by all.

The evening session consisted of group singing and discussions led by Mr. Larry Taylor. After the evening session Barbara, Nancy, Peggy, Betty, Barbara Ann, Miss Brumley, Miss Scott, Mrs. Rich, and I went uptown to the movie. We saw "My Forbidden Past." The day was packed with fun and even surprises for Mrs. Rich who celebrated a birthday. After returning from the movie we tucked our weary selves away.

Thelma.

Since Wednesday, July 4th, was Independence day no general sessions were held.

After breakfast we were divided into twelve interest groups, "Future Homemakers Look at Program Planning." These will prove very helpful in planning our program of work. In these we discussed ways we could have more active participation from each member of our chapters. Serving on committees seemed to be our best solution.

Next came the meeting we had all looked forward to. The Sub-regional meeting, during which time the election of our national vice-president was to be. Can't you just imagine the anxiety of the girls from North Carolina since Nancy Bright from High Point was one of our candidates. Our region was made up of the states of Virginia, Tennessee, and North Carolina. Virginia was also running a candidate. So you can see we really had to work on Tennessee. We are so happy to say that Nancy won the election.

Today offered our first day of recreation. Many interesting and enjoyable games were held. I think the most popular form of recreation was ice skating. A few of us had a good many bruises Thursday but nevertheless it was something never to be forgotten.

Today indeed was light because after supper we had a most enjoyable evening of Folk and Square dancing. A group of girls from North Carolina led by Betty Talbert taught the girls from all the states a square.

Then all the delegates were invited to Nancy Bright's room for a party of celebration. This was a wonderful chance to talk over our week's events up to now. After the party since all the girls had had a full day, we returned to our rooms for a wonderful night's sleep in the cool of these Michigan nights. Pam.

Thursday morning.

We had our sixth general session. It was opened by Amelia from Puerto Rico. We had the public relations clinic. Thelma Mayfield, our historian participated in the program. Following that, a program of photography was presented by Mr. Wesley who took pictures of the delegates.

Thursday night we had a very interesting program. Several of our girls participated in the skit. This was the end of a very enjoyable day, which everyone enjoyed very much.

Peggy Wood & Betty.

In this cloudy, dreary morning, all of the North Carolina girls awakened to the tune of "How well I remember just two days 'til home"? Why?—well, maybe it was because it was the last day of our training conference.

After eating a delicious breakfast, everyone went to Fairchild auditorium to the seventh general assembly meeting. The observers of the interest groups gave a mock radio program. At 11:45 we were dismissed for lunch. 1:30 found the North Carolina delegation in a state meeting. One of the most interesting subjects we discussed was "Dating," and as many of the girls didn't have dates the subject was not carried too far.

When dismissed from the state meeting, most of the girls had two free hours, those who did not have special meetings went to their rooms to finish the packing they had started the night before.

Dinner was served at 5:30 p.m. After such a nice feast everyone

went to the music hall for the last general assembly meeting. There Nancy Bright, the vice-president elect was installed. Nancy looked lovely. After general assembly everyone went back to the dormitories to finish packing and to do the last minute things that had to be done before they went home.

Respectively submitted,
Carmel and Lib.

Saturday—July 7th.

At last the day finally came. The day we were to go home, and you bet everyone was ready to go home. Miss Dennis didn't have to call anyone the second time Saturday morning. We were up, dressed, and packed, and ready to leave at 6:45 and the bus wasn't suppose to come until 7:30, and the train wasn't due until 8:51, but we were going to make sure we were there on time. We sure welcomed the C&O, for most of us were hungry by that time. We certainly enjoyed eating on the C&O for they cooked and served the food better than on the N.Y.C. After breakfast we settled down for the nice long ride to Detroit. The ride to Detroit was a pleasant one, but my, how dirty and nasty the baggage car was. I suppose you wonder why we were on the baggage car. It was because the delegates from Virginia, Kentucky and North Carolina were all on the train. In Detroit we left the Virginia delegates but the Kentucky delegates continued with us to Cincinnati, but to our joy the C&O put on another coach in Toledo, and we didn't have to stay in the baggage car. We were thrilled to see a bride in her pretty white gown coming out of the church near the railroad track, and we were horrified to see a little boy of about two years old playing with an axe, but it so happened that he didn't cut himself.

The trip home doesn't seem to be as exciting as going up, because we didn't have the sailors to talk to.

In Cincinnati we had a four hour lay over, but we didn't mind that. Most of us went to the beautiful dining hall and enjoyed a delicious dinner. After dinner we explored the train station gift shop and the park. Before I say anymore I want to tell you about some of the beautiful things and scenery we saw. One was the full moon rising behind the lake. The moon beams shining across the water is something that can't be described, nor can the lights of Detroit reflecting in the

water. The beauty of this is only explained by poets.

The mountains are something else that is hard to describe. The beautiful mountain streams, splashing against the rocks, and little islands out in the midst of them, and if you watched close enough you might even see a fish jump up out of the water. To see fishermen pull fish out as you ride by makes you want to get off the train and help them. When you look up as you are riding by these streams you can see nothing but mountains. Some are covered with trees, others with scattered trees and grass. It is really a sight to be seen. I cannot take up any more space by telling you of the things we saw along the way.

Saturday night, four of the teachers had the pleasure of spending the night in compartments. They seemed to enjoy this very much.

Breakfast Sunday morning wasn't too exciting, because most of us slept late and were a little drowsy. After breakfast we had to get ready to change trains in Nashville and again they didn't have enough room and had to add another coach. We exchanged addresses and talked until lunch. To our horror some of us had to wait two and even three hours for lunch. After lunch came the sad part of the day. We had to start saying goodbye to some of the girls and as we went through North Carolina we dropped them off at different stations, until finally we came to Raleigh. But we all aren't home yet, Pearlina still has to go on to Goldsboro. I can grant you this, we have all learned a lot and have had a very enjoyable trip. The friends we have made is a souvenir we can always treasure.

Saturday and Sunday—

July 7th and 8th.

Joan.

DATES TO REMEMBER

State Fair—October 16-20

United Nations Day—October 24

**World Christmas Festival—
November 1**

**National F. H. A. Week—
November 4-10**

**Family Life Council, Asheville—
November 13-14**

**Deadline for State Degrees—
November 15**

Anson-Union F.H.A. Summer Rally

On Tuesday, August 21, picnicing and swimming at Cheraw Beach, S. C., were enjoyed by about three hundred Future Homemakers of Anson and Union counties and their friends, chapter mothers and fathers, honorary members, principals, superintendents and advisers.

This was the first summer rally of the Anson-Union F.H.A. of which Julia Hough of Lilesville is president and Mary Jewel Short of Morven is secretary. Adviser participation was led by Mrs. Kathleen Nicholson of Benton Heights School, Union County, chairman of the Anson - Union Home Economics teachers and Mrs. Clarinda Britt of Morven School, Anson County, F.H.A. Adviser to the two-county group. Plans for the rally were made during the previous school year and the details worked out by a committee in the early part of the summer. Most of the schools of the two counties participated very enthusiastically in the rally which accounted for its huge success.

The details were worked out by two girls from each school, who scheduled the gathering to begin at three o'clock and provided swimming for those who like to swim and croquet, softball, and shuffleboard for those who did not swim. The supper committee had the co-operation of the advisers in spreading the picnic supper each girl had brought for herself and friends.

After the invocation by Mr. Powell, principal of Lilesville school, the group formed two lines and passed by the tables on which the committee had arranged the food and served themselves. As the meal proceeded, it was a lovely sight to observe the fellowship of the groups sitting on the grass around the edge of the lake.

A clean-up committee, made up of two girls from each school saw that good citizenship was observed by leaving the picnic grounds in order.

The outstanding comment by the adults attending the rally and the management of the beach was the high type of character and co-operation exhibited by all. And as for the young people themselves, all were saying: "Let's have a summer rally every year."



I am Miss Daphne Eller, your new State F.H.A. Adviser, from Lansing, North Carolina, a small town in the mountains.

You may think, oh how boring to live in such a place with nothing to do! On the contrary, we had loads of fun! Picnics, hikes, skating, sleigh riding in the winter, playing all sorts of games, candy making, and many other activities, which united our families and our community.

I entered into the usual school activities, studies, sports, dramatics, and all the other extra curricular activities. After graduation I attended Mars Hill Junior College and graduated from Woman's College, UNC, Greensboro. I later studied at the University of Minnesota and received my Master of Science degree in home economics from W.C.U.N.C.

My major interest was of course home economics and I taught in Gastonia Junior High School and Stoneville Senior High School. Stoneville is a rural community but has a large school and very fine student body. We enjoyed having student teachers come out from Woman's College for two weeks and every one anxiously awaited the arrival of the new ones and reluctantly bid the others good-by.

The F.H.A. Chapter is very active and participated in many projects, both local and national in scope. Our year's work was planned during the summer by officers and committee chairmen. Yearbooks were made for every member and as

many members as possible were included in the year's activities. Some of the activities were: sending our president Sue Ally to National Convention; participating in F.H.A. Week; open house for parents; attending rallies, State Convention and camp; World Christmas Festival; and a reception given at graduation for seniors, their parents and friends, faculty and guests.

I am anxious to meet all of you and work with you. If I can help you in any way, please write me or come by to see me. My address is State Department of Public Instruction, Education Building, Raleigh, North Carolina.

President

Pamela Bigham, who is replacing Martha Fulcher as your president, lives in Charlotte and is a member of the senior class of the brand new West Mecklenburg High School. She has brown hair and eyes and is about five feet, six inches tall. Pamela says, "my favorite sports are basketball and baseball. I guess my hobbies are having a good time and traveling. History and home economics are my pet subjects." She is very active in many extra curricular organizations, having been a member of the F.H.A. chapter for three years, serving as reporter last year; a member of the monogram club three years, serving as vice-president last year; and captain of the varsity basketball team. She also represented her school at Girls' State. "Being able to represent you as North Carolina's president of F.H.A. at the National Leadership Conference has been the highlight of my life. I was very much aware of the application of many of our purposes at the conference, especially fostering the development of creative leadership. I realized that leaders are made, not born and that anyone can grow into leadership. Let's all strive to be good leaders in our chapters and gain new horizons for the F.H.A."

Vice-President

Barbara Priddy, your vice-president, hails from High Point. She says, "I learned so many wonderful ideas at the National meeting for chapter boosters and how to carry out our 8 purposes in chapters, schools and communities. We can play an important part in the future by informing others about our organization, its purposes, and its

Meet Your

activities through interesting, well planned programs, an attractive bulletin board in your homemaking department or school hall, or a poster downtown. Good program ideas can be found in your Teen Times, programs of work, and Newsletter. Your Guide has suggestions for such service as initiations, emblem, degrees of achievement, election of officers, and all the other interesting facts and honors that concern F.H.A." Barbara says that she has found that so many girls don't ever see Teen Times and the Newsletters and suggests that these be displayed in an F.H.A. nook at school. "If we will work together we will become the kind of Future Homemakers of which America will be really and justly proud."

Secretary

Betty Talbert, secretary, is from Franklin and a senior at Franklinton High School. She has been a member of the F.H.A. Chapter for the past four years, in the Glee Club and in the Monogram Club. Much of her time has also been given to the basketball team as a guard and co-captain. This year she will be sports editor of the school paper. Betty says, "I wish to thank you for electing me to the office of state secretary. I hope I shall not disappoint you." "I also want to thank you for making it possible for me to attend the National meeting. I was asked to take part on the program called "Let's Use Teen Times," which gave the group an opportunity to exchange ideas about how to use the magazine in our chapters and to recommend the type of articles we would like to have printed. North Carolina is to have an article in the April issue. Be looking for it." "I shall never forget my trip. It makes me proud to know that I belong to an organization which is striving to achieve such high goals."

e Officers

Treasurer

Meet Joan Kelly, Treasurer, who is a senior in the Cameron High School and very active in all school activities. She belongs to the Beta, Commercial and Glee Clubs. She represented her school in the State F.H.A. Fashion Show in her sophomore year. "Jo" has been an active member of our local F.H.A. each year and holds Junior and Chapter degrees. "My most happy memories are of the wonderful trip to East Lansing, Michigan to the National Leadership Conference. I also enjoyed attending F.H.A. Camp and the District and State Rallies." Joan plans to attend college after graduation. She takes her studies seriously, but she also has time for social activities which all teen agers enjoy. She enjoys basketball, softball and swimming. Joan is a farmer's daughter and she loves a close association with nature. Aside from working on her father's farm she is also one of the cute "soda-jerks" at a local drug store.

Historian

Meet Thelma Mayfield, a true mountaineer from Swannanoa High School. She is your state historian and has the responsibility of preparing the pages of the state scrapbook. Thelma reminds all chapter historians, "History has a way of slipping into the forgotten past if

COVER PICTURE

The newly elected state officers are all smiles as they receive instructions from their president. Reading from left to right: seated, Martha Fulcher; Pearlline Ennis; Kathryn Woodard; Joan Kelly; standing, Betty Talhert; Thelma Mayfield; Carmel Long; Elizabeth Crews.

you don't take care of it in the present. Future members depend on you to keep the records of what your members are doing now. Don't let them down. Keep those scrapbooks up-to-date!"

Parliamentarian

Your parliamentarian, Kathryn Woodard, is five feet, one and one-half inches tall with short dark brown hair and blue eyes. She likes to swim and dance and has been a cheerleader for three years. Kathryn has been a busy girl as secretary and treasurer of the Student Council, secretary and treasurer of her class and secretary and vice-president of the F.H.A. Chapter. She says, "I really do love working with the F.H.A. Chapter and since I have been to Michigan, our chapter and district I have such good ideas to pass on to you. I hope to see all of you at the State Rally next spring."

Song Leader

Carmel Long, our song leader, from Griffith High School in Winston-Salem, really meets the requirements because music is her big interest and she plans to be a music teacher. She has taken piano and voice and sings in the Glee Club and Church choir. She joined the F.H.A. as a freshman and is president of the chapter this year. Carmel says, "I have learned some catchy tunes which you will really like. You may hear some of them at the district and state rallies. Singing is a wonderful form of recreation. Use some songs at every chapter meeting."

Reporter

Pearline Ennis, our reporter, "The F.H.A. is my favorite pastime and if you do a good job, it takes a lot of time. I have been on a number of committees and served as secretary of my chapter." She also enjoys working on the school paper as reporter, is a member of the student council, calendar committee and serves as senior class scholastic marshal. She is also kept busy with a two year old brother, church work and her school activities.

Pearline urges you to publicize your F.H.A. Chapter and to let the community know the wonderful things you are accomplishing. If you don't get it in your local paper the first time don't give up but keep trying. She says, "Above all send



**NANCY BRIGHT ELECTED
REGIONAL VICE-PRESIDENT**

Nancy Bright of the High Point Chapter was recently elected Vice-President of the National Organization Future Homemakers of America at the Leadership Conference held on the campus of Michigan State College in Lansing, July 2-6. Nancy has been an active member of the F.H.A. and has held the offices of Chapter President and State Secretary. She is a leader in her school and is serving as president of the Student Council at High Point High School this year. We are proud to have Nancy represent North Carolina Future Homemakers.

news to your state magazine. We all want to know what other chapters are doing. If you have pictures of unusual projects or activities, short stories, skits, or new ideas for program-spicers, share them with us. I hope to be reading about you."

Kathryn Woodard, your Parliamentarian, recommends these booklets to solve your problems on parliamentary procedure: "The Meeting Will Come to Order" by Harold Sponberg, extension bulletin 294; "A Score Card for Organization Secretaries," extension bulletin 275; and "A Score Card for Organization Chairmen," by Don Phillips, extension bulletin 274. Each of the bulletins cost 10c and may be secured from Michigan State College, Extension Service, East Lansing, Michigan.

**Reminder
F. H. A. Week
November 4-10**

We deeply regret that Martha Fulcher, our recently elected president has left North Carolina and gone with her parents to Washington, D. C., where her father has accepted an important position with the Navy Intelligence. Martha sends this challenge to all F.H.A. members:

We, the youth of America, have a job before us that is much more grave and important than that which faced our parents and grandparents. For this task we must prepare ourselves while we are young—now! At the present time we naturally find our attention centered around the world situation. On this particular day we are giving special thought to the purposes of our own F.H.A., therefore, it seems that this would be the logical time to apply our purposes to the present-day crisis. Let's take a look at the application of these purposes.

I will take one and four together since they are so closely related: "To promote a growing appreciation of the joys and satisfactions of homemaking," and "To work for good home and family life for all." Until we can realize and appreciate what our homes stand for, all our efforts to preserve and improve our present way of living hold little meaning for us.

Second—"To emphasize the importance of worthy home membership"—that is, to emphasize the importance of being a valuable home member, particularly important now if we are to make our homes what they should be—a place worthy of a growing appreciation.

Third—"To encourage democracy in home and family life"—In a time when our people are combatting the would-be destroyers of democracy, we need to put increased emphasis on this our most precious heritage. To do this, we must start at the roots, which are our homes.

Fifth—"To promote international good will." The importance of that purpose in this critical era is so obvious that it seems almost absurd even to mention it. However, we need constantly to be reminded lest we become blinded by selfishness or by fear of our neighbors that our efforts in that direction become lax. At no time has this purpose held so many possibilities for real value.

Sixth—"To foster the development of creative leadership in home and community life." At no time

in history has there been a greater need for distinguished leaders. Though not all great people have come from such environments, there can always be found a person or element that has inspired them. In the home, members of a family are influenced far more than is realized.

Seventh—"To provide wholesome individual and group recreation." Our minds, taxed with worries and the seeking of knowledge would soon break down if there was no letup. Relaxing comes with recreation.

Eighth—"To further interest in Home Economics." We read and hear over and over again that so many of our troubles as a nation are the result of breakdowns in our homes. If that is true, we certainly need to turn our attention more to our homes. We need more trained homemakers who are interested in all phases of home life.

How simple it sounds—yet, when once the work has begun, it seems not so easy. Only with determination, willingness, prescience and the want to get ahead will we be able to meet what may come as wise and ready adults.

Yes, "We ARE The Future Homemakers of America."

And we SHALL face the future with warm courage and high hope."

TEEN TIMES SCHEDULE FOR 1951-52

Do you like to see your name in print and read of activities of which you participated? Well, here is another opportunity for your F.H.A. chapter and State to be in the limelight. North Carolina has been asked to contribute news for the "Parade of States" in the April issue of "Teen Times." If your chapter has done an outstanding job of some unusual and interesting activity, send complete details and pictures if possible to the State Office by January 20. The news must be in by that time in order to be published in the April issue. Come to the aid of your State and help publicize your Future Homemakers organization!

Notice
U. N. Day
October 24th

Suggestions for Fun

When the evenings are long and the cold wind whistles outside your living room window or when a group of folks gather in a community center, always there's a desire to do something for fun's sake. A few ideas have been garnered from several sources which you might enjoy doing with your family at home or with a larger group assembled together at church, school or community center.

Have a scavenger hunt for articles commonly used in the home. Limit the time of the hunt and award a lollipop to the persons finding and identifying the most articles.

Divide the group into couples. Give each couple three sheets of newspaper with which to style "Fifth Avenue" fashions. Limit the stunt to three minutes and see what styles are originated during that time.

Give each person a piece of paper and a pencil. Turn out the lights for two minutes and see what each one draws during that time. The theme of each drawing could be related to the home.

Form groups of four. Place a box containing four postcards cut inigsaw style on each table. Each person can take two pieces of the puzzle at a time in rotation, returning the piece not belonging to this puzzle after each try. The person completing his card first is the winner.

An interesting sit-down game is putting together slogans of well-known products or manufacturer. When couples are paired, give each a list of ten slogans or first lines selected at random from magazines, to which they are to add the name of the product or its manufacturer. The first couple turning in a complete and correct list wins.

A guessing contest, too, is fun. Try the two described below.

(Answers are names of fabrics)

1. What you see in the news paper. **print**
2. Two letters of the alphabet. **P. K.**
3. Part of the American Flag. **Stripes**
4. Heard in the clock shop. **ticking.**
5. What fisherman use. **net.**

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Our Five Projects for 1951-52

Here we are—looking toward new horizons and working together to reach the same goals by the same ideals. Which of these projects will your chapter choose and how will you sponsor them?

These chapters chose the following methods last year:

Observing F.H.A. Week

Warsaw reported that recognition of F.H.A. Week was given in all of the churches in the community. The ministers were most cooperative in giving the work of the F.H.A. a space in their sermon plans. The girls of each church sat in a body. The ministers had them to stand in a group for the congregation to see them and repeat the purposes of our organization.

National Future Homemakers Week was a busy one for the sixty-nine members of the Tri-High Chapter. Greeting the girls early Monday morning in the front hall of the school building was a cherry red and white bulletin board showing the planned activities for each day of the week.

Laurinburg Future Homemakers gave a radio program interpreting work of the chapter to the community.

Hallsboro made a display in a local store window of lovely dresses and accessories made by the girls during sewing units. Posters and emblems were used to carry out purposes of F.H.A.

Franklinton chapter chose activities which gave girls an opportunity to carry out many of their objectives in homemaking.

Families Together

Candor chapter reported that an "Honor Mother's Day" was observed in which each member pledged to take over all of mother's tasks for that day.

Tri-High chapter members used as their theme for this project: Family working together, playing together, and praying together.

Taylorsville chapter began on this project in the fall by having a softball game between the F.H.A. girls and their mothers at the town recreation park. The game was well publicized and whole families came to see it. It was quite successful in that both spectators and participants enjoyed absurd mistakes made by

the mothers. It certainly helped to create better relationship between their girls and their mothers.

Bethel chapter observed Family Day in which each member was to do something for their family or plan some type of recreation for the family together.

The Troy F.H.A. girls and F.F.A. boys combined chapters and had a get-together of parents and children for a picnic. Games were played by parents as well as children.

One of New Hanover chapter's most successful "families-together" events was a square dance.

Snow Hill chapter reported a home project in which all family members, even an uncle who lived with the family, helped Shirley make her bedroom more attractive.

World Christmas Festival and Adoption of a Foreign Homemaking Class are for the purpose of improving international good will.

Summerfield chapter had the pleasure of having a German Exchange Student in their high school. He explained customs in his land and described the kinds of foods he liked. He was invited to eat with one of the homemaking classes and they prepared one of his favorite dishes. Many of the girls have said: "I like German people better because of Siefred Kaegel being in our school. And it is the best thing that could have happened in our school and community to promote international good will."

Vass-Lakeview chapter sends a letter received from a high school girl in Rome. She writes it first in Italian and then in English.

Roma

26 Gennaio 135e.

Mico caro Carol,

To mi chiamo Nancy e to no uno ragazzo o li fuottordici anni, e studio italiano, inglese, fisica, economia domestica e ginnastica. Tano di origine ungherese ho i capelli lioni e gli occhi azzurri. Vorrei essere two amica per corrispondenza e vorrei che mi mandassi lo two fotografia.

I pero che saremo presto una two lettero. Ha avuto il two indirizzo da una mia amica di scuola perch'e a me non mondate perche eiana poche.

To mi vuole scrivere anche fuolche

two amico, sarocontento se mi mandera delle lettere.

Per oro ti sohetto e ti lacio e pero che aveo presto uno tuo lettero.

Sincramente,

Nancy Kert'esz

Which means—

Rome

26th January 1951

My dear Carol,

Ime call Nancy and I am one girl of 14 years old, and I study italian, english, physics, economy domestic, ginnastica. I should want to be friend for mail and I should want who you me writed.

You write soon and send ours photograph.

I think who we will be good friend.

I write also in italian and you make the translation.

Sincerely

Nancy Kert'esz

Via Asmara 3'5

Roma

United Nations Day

The National Executive Council voted to make this our fifth project, which is to be observed October 24. United Nations Day is the only day of dedication to peace and progress which is honored throughout the world in countries of many races, religions, intercasts, and outlook. How can Future Homemakers help achieve world peace? Plan ways and means to increase information and understanding of the United Nations through your community. Some program suggestions are: flag making projects, radio and chapel programs, and studying the work of the UN so that you may set up an information booth to help inform the school and community.

Wanted!

News for

Chapter Chatter

F.H.A. Has Helped Me Choose a Career

By Carol Coffee, of the Hallsboro Chapter

F.H.A. is what a member makes of it. It can be helpful and worthwhile. As an example read the following account of my two years in the chapter. This is my third year as an F.H.A. member.

When I entered high school in '49, I was eligible to be an F.H.A. member since I was taking home economics. I joined it because I thought it would further my interest in home economics, that it would help me appreciate the joys and satisfactions of homemaking, and also, it would provide some wholesome recreation for me. I was elected club reporter the first year. Reporting was altogether new to me. Mrs. Baldwin, our adviser, helped me the first year. After each meeting I sent the write-up to our local paper. The first year was a hard one but I began to like reporting, (a little bit).

The second year, in the tenth grade, I was re-elected F.H.A. reporter. This time I really became interested. I began to feel capable of being publicity chairman for seventy F.H.A. members.

During my second year in high school, the school students decided to have a weekly column in our city paper. Carolyn Bullard, another F.H.A. member, and I were elected to write it. This was really a pleasure for me. We called our column "Bogue Chatter" since it concerned the happenings in and around "Bogue University," as we liked to call our school, Hallsboro High School.

Mr. Willard Cole, the editor of "The News Reporter," in Whiteville, N. C., for which we were writing became impressed with my writing. He offered me a regular job at the office this summer but due to not having the secretarial course I was unable to accept.

The editor then asked me to continue a column during the summer. I decided it would be fun writing a "Summer Vacation" column. I called it "What's What" and it became a favorite with teen-agers. It was loads of fun to write it because our teen-agers would have a column all their own. Thus I could interpret the F.H.A. program to prospective F.H.A.'ers. Now in my junior year, I am looking forward to going farther in my reporting career. I'm planning to continue "Bogue Chatter" and I'm also a local candidate for F.H.A. reporter.

Mr. Cole has promised to have an opening for me next summer on the local paper. I'm taking the commercial course this year so there will be no hold-back after next summer, and perhaps the next, I will really know if I'm interested in journalism. From the looks of things now, that's my career and it all started from having been elected F.H.A. reporter in my freshman year, and re-elected last year.

So you can see what F.H.A. has meant to me. Of course it may not mean careers to all you members but, really, it's a wonderful club. Won't you join this year?

CERRO GORDO F.H.A. GIRLS TAKE TRIP

F.H.A. Camp comes in a very busy season in our section so we planned a trip to the mountains in the fall since we could not attend camp.

September 1st five girls left as soon as school was out for western North Carolina in the Blue Ridge Mountains. Some of the highlights of the trip included: A trip through Linville Caverns, seeing the underground fairy land; several views of Linville Falls; a climb to Grandfather's mountain; a wade in a mountain stream; sight seeing into Virginia and Tennessee; ordering, and eating in cafes; spending nights in tourist homes and hotels; and some rough mountain roads.

Only one of the group had seen the mountains before so we had some new experiences. We missed the fellowship of other girls at camp but had an enjoyable vacation.

Those attending the trip were Dorothy Black, Dorothy Faye Knight, Doris Ann Mercer, Jackie Nance, Ruth Jenkins and their sponsor Mrs. Blanche P. Williamson.

SUGGESTIONS

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6. What stylish ladies used to wear. **lace**
7. A vacation. **outing**
8. Good as cash. **checks**
9. A pillow cover and an animal call. **chambray**
10. How a chair use to be used. **sat in**
11. Badge of mourning. **crepe**
12. What is seen on a penny. **Indian head**
13. What happens when the waitress drops her tray. **crash**
14. A bed and 2000 pounds. **Cotton**
15. What makes a nice yard. **lawn**
16. A bright beam and a preposition. **rayon**

Nut-Guessing Game

1. What nut is a sandy shore. **beachnut**
2. What nut is a girl's name. **hazelnut**
3. What nut is a stone fence. **walnut**
4. What nut is a large, strong box. **chestnut**
5. What nut is one of our mission fields. **brazilnut**
6. What nut makes quite a hit with our servicemen. **doughnut**
7. What nut is a vegetable. **peanut**
8. What nut is good for bad boys. **hickorynut**



The Stedman Chapter has grown from a very small group to 140 members. They participated in many activities last year including initiation of our new members, observing F.H.A. Week and F.H.A. Church Sunday, hobo and Christmas parties, and mother-daughter banquet, State Convention and camp.



F.H.A. girls making yearbooks during an interest group at White Lake Camp.

**NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION
FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA
WHITE STUDENT CLUB ORGANIZATION
SEPTEMBER 1, 1950 to AUGUST 31, 1951**

RECEIPTS

Bank Balance September 1, 1950.....		\$ 2,241.08
Receipts from Fees (16,087 members @ \$.50).....	\$ 8,043.50	
Leadership Funds.....	1,938.49	
Miscellaneous Receipts.....	834.99	
Total Receipts.....		\$10,816.98
Total Balance and Receipts.....		\$13,058.06

LESS: EXPENDITURES

National Dues.....	\$ 1,647.30	
District and State Rallies.....	275.05	
Executive Board Meeting.....	210.75	
Audit (Account 1949-50).....	30.00	
Delegates Expenses to East Lansing.....	1,825.17	
Supplies, postage.....	483.88	
Newsletter (4 issues).....	4,119.58	
Honor Awards and pins.....	8.06	
Miscellaneous (Handbooks, guides, etc.).....	119.82	
North Carolina Family Life Council.....	5.00	
Total Expenditures.....		8,724.61
Check outstanding.....		\$ 4,333.45
BALANCE		1.64
		\$ 4,335.09

CAMP—1951

RECEIPTS

Total receipts from camp.....	\$ 6,853.90	
Less: Expenditures.....	5,346.15	
Balance	\$ 1,507.75	
Petty Cash Balance.....	15.12	
Total Savings Account.....		\$ 1,522.87

Future Homemakers of America

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We are the Future Homemakers of America
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope,
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking
Old and precious values.

For we are the builders of homes,
Homes for America's future.
Homes where living will be the expression of everything
That is good and fair,
Homes where truth and love and security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

We are the Future Homemakers of America.
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope.



"The homes of tomorrow are in
the hands of the youth
of today"

CAROLINE SAYS



You cannot bring prosperity by discouraging thrift.

You cannot strengthen the weak by weakening the strong.

You cannot help the wage earner by pulling down the wage payer.

You cannot further the brotherhood of man by encouraging class hatred.

You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich.

You cannot establish sound security on borrowed money.

You cannot keep out of trouble by spending more than you earn.

You cannot build character and courage by taking away a man's initiative and independence.

You cannot help men permanently by doing for them what they could and should do for themselves.

Attributed to Abraham Lincoln



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AND SPARKLING GIFTS AND MOMENTS
BRIGHT AND GAY,*

*IT STANDS FOR FRIENDSHIP, FAITH AND LOVE
WITHOUT PEER,
THE JOY OF HELPING OTHERS DAY BY DAY.*

*MAY BLESSINGS SUCH AS THIS ENRICH YOUR LIFE,
AND EACH NEW DAY KEEP BRINGING ADDED CHEER*

*TO YOU WHO KEEP THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS TIME
WITHIN YOUR HEART ALL SEASONS OF THE YEAR.*

Your State F.H.A. Adviser.

North Carolina Association of Future Homemakers of America

State Officers 1951-1952

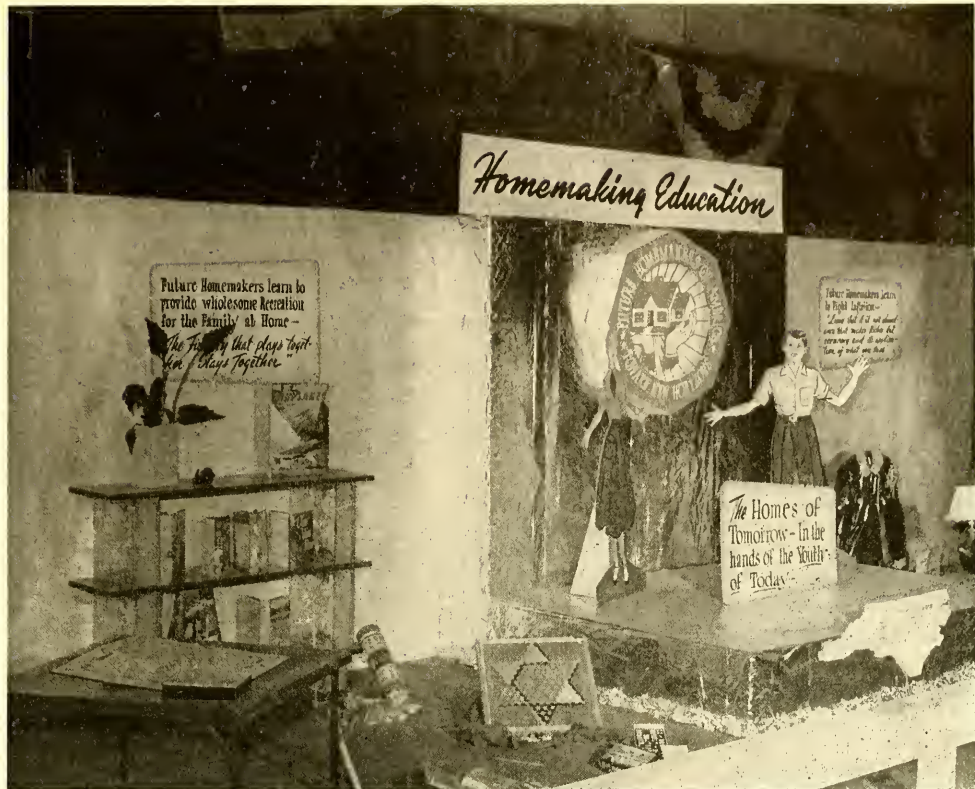
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F. H. A. Exhibit at North Carolina State Fair.

F.H.A. EXHIBIT AT FAIR

The Future Homemakers' Exhibit at the North Carolina Fair was built around the theme, "The Homes of Tomorrow are in the Hands of the Youth Today," with different phases of homemaking education being used to show what activities are carried on in the classroom.

The exhibit was divided into three sections. In the center hung the F.H.A. emblem; a boy and girl stood just beneath it to represent the youth of today. In one section the slogan, "A Family Who Plays Together Stays Together," was illustrated by showing different types of games and books the entire family could enjoy together. The other section emphasized fighting inflation by using what you already have on hand.

Chapel Hill chapter contributed a table and chair which had been

refinished and recovered. The girls, with the help of their teacher, had removed dark paint from the chair and table and finished the wood in its natural color, a light maple. The cushions of the chair were reconditioned and covered in a chartreuse upholstery material.

Red Oak chapter used dark green prune bottles to make bedroom lamps for their department. They also made shades of yellow organdy to match a dressing table in the classroom.

The Coats chapter displayed a beautiful purple velveteen dress made by one of the students.

All of these articles showed excellent workmanship and have served as good interpretation of, what the Future Homemakers are learning today to make better homes tomorrow.

WELCOME

We Future Homemakers are delighted to welcome the following chapters into our organization: Farm Life, Moore County, Hope Valley, Main Street, Ansonville, Wadesboro, Richfield, Herring, Oakley, King's Creek, Colfax, White Oak, Jones Central, Dixon, Mills River, Maxton, Princeton, Grifton, Mingo, Clayton, West Mecklenburg, Pamlico County High.

ATTENTION!

The February issue of "News-letter" will feature money making activities of individual chapters. Send your articles and action pictures to this office by January 10.

National Executive Council Meets

By MRS. FAYE T. COLEMAN and NANCY BRIGHT

Attending the National Executive Council in Chicago, October 17-20 was an experience we wish every Future Homemaker and adviser could have shared with us.

The purpose of the meeting was to make plans for the coming year. Each of the twelve officers was greatly concerned with formulating procedure and methods of reaching every local chapter and getting individual participation in local, state, and national programs and projects. You are a part of the National Organization and what you think and feel are important to the organization.

The meetings were conducted in a democratic and business like manner. A concentrated effort was made on the part of each to apply the correct rules of parliamentary procedure and to encourage individual participation. Bits of philosophical advice learned at the Leadership Conference were continually repeated. Some of these were:

"The mind can absorb only what the seat can endure."

"When we share, we really care; when we care, we share."

"A good leader is humble."

Ways and means of recognizing members for worthy contributions

and individual growth were discussed at length by the council members. They disfavored types of contests and award presentations which concluded in limiting the winners to a select few. The program of work should be so broad that every member of a chapter has a chance to make a contribution and should be recognized accordingly. However, unwarranted publicity is to be guarded against. There are numerous methods we can employ in giving recognition. Sincere, verbal expressions of appreciation may be sufficient in many cases. The primary purpose is to make each member feel that she is of value to the organization.

Each officer reviewed her yearly responsibilities as an officer and as a committee chairman and planned procedures for carrying them out. Committee reports were given on Saturday afternoon before we all departed for our home states. The reports were both interesting and inspiring and represented some sound profound thinking.

It was a busy week for all who attended, but with the business sessions interspersed with relaxers and our evenings free, with the exception of one, we were able to take in some of the entertainment places

of the city, and enjoy food at some of the finer restaurants. We saw **South Pacific** — and it was wonderful. Most of the group attended the Ice Follies. We had dinner in the restaurant **A Little Bit of Sweden** one evening, and in **Le Petite Gourmet** another evening.

Meeting such outstanding people as our National Adviser, Miss Lela Smartt, Assistant National Adviser, Miss Jerline Kennedy, Editor of **Teen Times**, and others was a privilege for both the girls and the local chapter advisers.

Our organization is one of which we can be justly proud. It has made wonderful progress during its seven years of existence, and we, as present members and advisers, are challenged to continue this growth in the same ratio. Can we do it? Of course we can, if we have faith in ourselves and what our chapter stands for.

ANNOUNCEMENT!!!

At last "Fun for F.H.A.," a pamphlet on recreation for F.H.A. groups, is available!!!

"Fun For F.H.A." is the tangible result of many good times F.H.A.'rs have shared through the years. It would not have been possible without the enthusiastic demands of many chapters and the concentrated effort of the National Committees on Recreation, nor the splendid co-operation of Miss Catherine Allen who so ably directed the recreational activities during the recent Leadership Conference.

"Fun for F.H.A." contains mixers, socializers, and ice breakers, quiet games, songs and relaxers, folk games, active games, cooking for camp, hints to leaders, and a "Mellerdrama."

The small booklet promises to meet a long felt need of advisers and F.H.A. girls, and to be the source of much wholesome fun for a long time to come.

This booklet is available at twenty-five cents a copy from: Future Homemakers of America, Office of Education, Federal Security Agency, Washington 25, D. C.

REMINDER

Deadline for affiliation dues
January 15, 1952.



Mrs. Faye Coleman and Nancy Bright returning from their trip to Chicago.

Homemaking Girls Play Santa Claus

It was sewing time for the third year girls; however, we were not particularly interested in making clothes for little children. None of us had "little sisters" at home, and besides we would much rather sew for ourselves. One of us said, "I need a new formal." Another said, "I want a new blouse and skirt"; thus our comments ran through the group. Just about this time Miss Lentz, from the first grade, invited us down for a discussion on child care and discipline. On telling us how much home environment and background experiences meant to the little beginner, our attention was called to an adorable little girl, named Issy. Her background was pathetic and from observation we knew that she was badly in need of clothes. They were amazed when we learned that Issy had never had a doll in all her life. From her picture you can see that she is a darling and in a matter of minutes she had capitavated us with her warm smile and her innocent blue eyes. Seeing her condition and learning her story touched our hearts. As we went back to our classroom we were all "bubbling" over with plans to make Issy a Christmas wardrobe. The idea seemed to come from every mind, and we were thrilled to think we could help someone. We were no longer the girls who wanted a new formal, a blouse and skirt. We would sew for Issy.

The very next day we brought in used garments and materials from home. We began by planning eight garments for Issy, one for each girl in the class. Our enthusiasm was contagious and before we knew what was happening the Sophomore and Freshmen girls were claiming Issy too. The days were happy ones. We could hardly wait for "sewing lab" period to arrive. We planned, we measured, we cut, and the happiest periods were the days when Issy came for her "fittings." She loved beauty and her life had seen so little of it. She would lovingly touch the materials and say, "It is so 'purty,'" and her big blue eyes would shine with happiness. We were most surprised when the garments were counted, and we had thirty-one instead of the eight we had planned.

The pastel colored cotton dresses, the little blouses and skirts, the warm suit and jacket, and the dainty undies, that we had made for

Issy were only the beginning. For we had taken the story of Issy home with us and it caught the interest of our parents and spread into the community too. Mrs. Weant and Mrs. Phifer, mothers of two of our girls, sent money for a pair of shoes. A snow suit and a cap were bought with the money also, and Mrs. Williams sent money for a sweater and socks.

The Christmas season was approaching and naturally our thoughts were filled with the idea of playing Santa Claus to Issy. We had asked her many times what she wanted for Christmas and the answer was always the same; "a baby doll," a baby doll "tarriage" and a "twicycle." And, of course, she had to have just that. So we started a community-wide search for all the things she wanted. Perry Moore provided a baby doll, Mary Helen Morgan gave a baby doll carriage (which we painted pink—Issy's favorite color). Lillie Mae Murff, a senior girl, not even in the homemaking class, gave the tricycle and her father volunteered to paint it. Others gave story books, paint books, crayons, double-decker doll bed, in fact, everything a little girl could want. We made pillows, mattresses and spread for the bed and carriage.

On December 20, Santa Claus paid an early visit to Issy in the Home Ec. Department and the occasion was made special because a photographer was there to make pictures of "Cinderella" who was none other than "our Issy." Words cannot express the joy of the moment. You will just have to imagine the happiness that was hers when she saw all the things she had wanted and all the "purty" clothes. The pictures tell you part of the story of happiness.

We truly agreed with our teacher when she said, "The material things you gave Issy were wonderful, but you received far more than she did because never before have I seen such a spirit of love and co-operation. You have found the true meaning of Christmas."

And when Christmas comes again with its message of peace and good will, we will know from experience that "it is more blessed to give than to receive." We know too, that it was the best Christmas this Home Economics Department ever had.

TIPS FOR A GAY PARTY

1. Pick out a definite place for guests to put their wraps — girls' in your bedroom, boys' in the hall (you might use your brother or father as hat-check man.)

2. Introduce guests to Mom and Dad and to each other after they have disposed of their coats. Introduce parents by saying Mother or Dad, this is John Smith who lives on Lee Street. In presenting guests to each other if they are not already friends, present the boys to the girls, which means you mention the girls name first: "Sally Jones, I'd like you to know John Smith."

3. Don't wait for everyone to arrive before starting the fun. Get things perking early with an ice breaker. Late comers can join in when they arrive.

4. When there are those who are timid about joining in, organize trick dances and games that involve everyone.

5. Have a couple of special games up your sleeve for that moment when the party seems to get dull. An indoor scavenger hunt is an excellent stimulant.

6. Don't send your parents to a movie. They will enjoy meeting your friends, Mom will be valuable help in the kitchen, and they will help you keep things under control.

7. To discourage any petting in the dark corners, keep all the rooms well lighted and have so much fun planned that there will be no time for smooching.

8. Avoid games that turn into free-for-alls and keep the music and your own voice down to a moderate pitch.

9. Give a signal for refreshments before a lull in the party.

10. For those who try to stay and stay, ask them to help clean up, carry out glasses, or empty ash trays. They will take the hint!

Sittin' and wishin'
Won't change your fate;
The Lord provided the fishin'
But you have to dig the bait.

Practical Home Economics.

COVER PICTURE

Issy and the homemaking girls at Spencer High School enjoying Issy's Christmas party.



Glenn Twiddy presenting Mrs. Fletcher with a corsage of red roses—the F. H. A. flower.

DISTRICT I

October 6
Edenton

Eight hundred sixty five F.H.A. delegates and visitors attended their District Rally which was held at the Edenton High School.

Hostess chapters were Edenton, Chowan and Perquimans. While the delegates were registering, special music was rendered by Marjorie Thippen from Edenton.

Kathryn Woodard, State Parliamentarian, called the meeting to order and conducted the opening ceremony. Others participating were Betty Castloe, Winterville chapter; Marvinna White, Perquimans chapter; Shirley Elliott, Chowan chapter; Kitty Campen, Edenton chapter.

The Elizabeth City chapter gave a very inspiring devotion consisting of scripture, a prayer, and a solo, "Sweet Hour of Prayer." Mr. John A. Holmes, Supt. of Edenton Public Schools, extended greeting. Following recognition of guests, Miss Miriam Scott, of Edenton, District Adviser, gave some beneficial suggestions on F.H.A. Week. After roll call by the Perquimans chapter, a relaxation period was enjoyed by the congregation singing songs.

The guest speaker for the occasion was North Carolina's First Lady of Colonial History, Dr. Inglis Fletcher, who was introduced by Kitty Campen. Dr. Fletcher held her audience spellbound as she went into the Elizabethan background of North Carolina, stating that the year 1585 was considered

the golden age. After her speech Dr. Fletcher was awarded a gift of appreciation by the Future Homemakers.

Ann Byrd, of Windsor, sang "My Hero," after which Kathryn gave an interesting report of her "Michigan Roundup." Patsy Roberson presented the candidates for state reporter. These were: Louise Byrd, Aulander; Kitty Campen, Edenton; Zula Mac Boyd, Grimesland; Hazel Paul, Pantego; and Anne Timberlake, Woodland-Olney.

One of the highlights of the morning session was the campaign speeches by the various chapters seeking their favorite for the office. Kitty Campen was elected with Anne Timberlake as first alternate and Hazel Paul, second alternate.

Following announcements by Glenn Twiddy, the group went to the Edenton Armory where a delicious barbecue dinner was served by the ladies of the American Legion Auxiliary.

The afternoon session featured a talent show "The Olde South" with Sylvia Vaughn as narrator and the following chapters participating: Chocowinity, Aulander, Colerain, South Edgecombe, Tarboro, Weldon Murfreesboro, Williamston, Woodland, Olney, Central, Winterville, Pantego, Robersonville and Edenton. These girls provided good entertainment of tap dancing, singing, piano solos, skits, and minuet.

Kathryn Woodard thanked Miss Mabel Lacy, District Supervisor, Miss Scott, and all others who had worked to make the rally such a successful one, and then adjourned the 1951 Rally with the closing ceremony.

DISTRICT II

November 3
Rock Ridge

The Rock Ridge Chapter was hostess at the District II Rally of the Future Homemakers on November 3. While the eight hundred and fifty delegates from eleven counties were registering, Mr. and Mrs. Rusty Williams were entertaining early comers with a comedy act. Mr. Williams is deputy sheriff of Wilson County. The meeting began at 10 o'clock with Pearlina Ennis, State Reporter, presiding. After the opening ceremony, Wheat Swamp conducted an inspirational devotional which was concluded by a musical reading by Clint Faris, assistant manager of W.G.T.M. Radio Station.

The highlight of the afternoon was the pageant "Life in These United Nations" based on one of the F.H.A. purposes "To Promote International Good Will." Songs, dances, and readings carried out the idea representing various countries in the United Nations. Those chapters participating in the pageant were: Morehead City, New Bern, Elm City, Kenansville, B. F. Grady, Saratoga, Lee Woodard, and Lucama, with Lee Woodard chapter as narrator.

Betty Phillips of Warsaw, Romaine Glover of Rock Ridge, and Betty Hatten of Goldsboro were candidates for state treasurer. Betty Hatten of Goldsboro was elected.

DISTRICT III

October 6
Vass-Lakeview

Four hundred and eighty-three members, advisers, and fourteen chapter mothers met at Vass-Lakeview for our District Rally with Joan Kelly, State Treasurer, presiding.

After the opening ceremony, Mr. John McCrummer, principal of Vass-Lakeview School and Jo Anne Chappel, local F.H.A. president, welcomed us to Vass and their chapter members graciously looked after our needs during the day.

While Hoke County Chapter was doing an excellent job at the registration desk, the Southern Pines Band was entertaining the earlycomers in the auditorium.

Every one felt that the program was off to a good start as the presiding officer led the group in the F.H.A. Creed. This was followed with an inspiring devotion by Pembroke Chapter.

After the roll call and minutes by the acting secretary, Betty Jean Adams of Bladenboro, a short business session was held. Miss Mary Hines Leonard, Assistant State Supervisor of Home Economics in North Carolina, encouraged the members to affiliate early, and to work diligently on Degrees of Achievement during the year.

Shallotte Chapter reminded us that "politics was in the air," as they presented the Nominees for State Secretary. After the second balloting, Cerro Gorde Chapter announced that Betty Lou Graham of Stedman was elected; with Jerry Carpenter, Rockingham, and Hazel McLean, Hoke County High, running second and third respectively.

RALLIES

The high spot of the day came when Miss Denny Lee Bryson, Director of Christian Education and Music, Methodist Church, Sanford, N. C., interestingly inspired us on "Building for International Good Will."

A beautiful picnic lunch was enjoyed by all, after which girls were directed to the gymnasium for dancing and group singing, under the direction of Sally Ann Munroe, Clarkton Chapter.

The highlight of the afternoon session was an Acrobatic and Ballet Dance by Shirley Allen of Whiteville.

The District voted to pay ten cents per member to take care of expenses of delegates attending the National meeting next year.

Joan Kelly, Cameron, and Mrs. Martha Black, District Adviser, Bladenboro, gave "Highlights of the National Leadership Conference" which was held at Lansing, Michigan, July 2-8.

The Waccamaw Chapter presented the gavel to Magnolia Indian Chapter as a reward for having one hundred per cent membership present at the rally.

Williams Township gave the Courtesy Committee report, and Ellerbe Chapter had charge of receiving invitations for the rally next year. Rockingham, Whiteville, and Fayetteville High Chapters extended an invitation to have the rally meet with them next year.

Misses Shirley Fisher and Doris Jean Hester, of Bladenboro, led the group with several relaxers.

Others participating on the rally program were Tabor City, Aberdeen, Elise, Carthage, Southern Pines, Pinehurst, West End, Cameron, and Hamlet Chapters.

Official guests included Miss Mary Hines Leonard and Mr. H. L. Thomas, Superintendent of Moore County Schools.

The meeting adjourned with the Hamlet Chapter singing the F.H.A. Prayer Song.

DISTRICT IV

October 6, 1951

Hugh Morson, Raleigh

Seven hundred and eighteen F.H.A. girls and advisers met at Hugh Morson High School in Raleigh for their annual District IV meeting. Betty Talbert, Franklinton, who is state secretary presided and

Mrs. Sallie Broughton, District Adviser, helped supervise the day's activities.

Morning highlights included an election of our state vice-president, getting acquainted with our new State Adviser, Miss Daphne Eller, and a song fest led by Dr. Hoffman, state director of music.

The election returns revealed that Jean Faulkner from the Red Oak School in Nash County is our new vice-president, with Leah Wilder, Franklin County and Annie Lee Jones from Wake County as second and third alternates respectively.

Miss Eller, in a short talk, urged us to better ourselves and, in turn, better our chapters. She left this thought with us:

"I am only one,
But I am one.
I can't do everything,
But I can do something;
And what I can do,
By the grace of God,
I will do."

Dr. Hoffman taught the group some new tunes and directed us in singing some old familiar verses.

The noon day attraction was a picnic lunch, and needless to say there was wholehearted participation from each girl.

During the afternoon we listened to a most interesting panel discussion on "Teen-Age Dating." Panel members included Dr. W. D. Perry, U.N.C., Dr. Roy Armstrong, U.N.C., Donald Christopher, student council president at Chapel Hill High School, Rachel Thompson, Chapel Hill F.H.A. president, and Miss Margaret Fischel, Chapel Hill F.H.A. adviser.

Betty Talbert presented our new vice-president and ended a successful meeting with the closing ceremony.

DISTRICT V

October 6

Altamahaw-Ossipee

The District Rally of the Future Homemakers of America was held Saturday at the Altamahaw-Ossipee High School with five counties being represented: Alamance, Guilford, Caswell, Rockingham, and Randolph. A total of 331 were present.

After registration was closed, Barbara Priddy, State vice-president from High Point chapter, opened the morning session. The Randleman chapter had charge of the F.H.A. opening ceremony and the Alexander Wilson the devotional



District V elects Carolyn Abernathy, from Alexander Wilson, to the office of vice-president, to replace Barbara Priddy.

program. Bill Phillips from the Alexander Wilson Future Farmers of America chapter was guest soloist. V. Mays Bundy, Altamahaw-Ossipee principal, and Kathlyn Thomasson, Altamahaw-Ossipee chapter member, greeted the visiting chapters. The chapter mothers and fathers were recognized as special guests.

During the business session, Carolyn Abernathy from the Alexander Wilson chapter, was elected first alternate state vice-president with Nancy Jean Wilson, Sumner Chapter; and Frances Sumner, Draper Chapter, second and third state vice-presidents.

J. Allan Lewis, superintendent of Rockingham County Schools, led group singing.

The Altamahaw-Ossipee chapter members and mothers served lunch in the school cafeteria under the direction of Mrs. Rachel Troxler, home economics teacher.

During the advisers' meeting at lunch time, three advisers were nominated to succeed Mrs. Frances Rich, as district supervisor for next year. Gibsonville chapter issued an invitation for the district rally for 1952.

Claire Williams, Reidsville chapter, opened the afternoon session with a report of F.H.A. day at Manteo in August which was followed with reports by Nancy Bright, High Point chapter, and Elizabeth Crews, Mayodan chapter, on the National Work Shop at Lansing Mich., in July. Nancy Bright was

elected national vice-president in Lansing.

After J. Allan Lewis had a short period of entertainment, Toby King from the Graham Chapter, introduced the guest speaker, Dr. Lyda Gordon Shivers from Woman's College. Dr. Shiver used as her topic: "The Problems of Dating and Courtship," which was of interest to all the chapter members.

Bethany chapter gave a report from the courtesy committee and they stated that this was the best rally yet. Barbara Priddy then led the group in the F.H.A. closing ceremony.

DISTRICT VI East Mecklenburg November 3

Four hundred and thirty Future Homemakers were present at District VI Rally, which was held at the beautiful new East Mecklenburg High School. While Benton Heights and Marshville chapters were registering the Future Homemakers, the East High Band was rendering special music in the auditorium. The program was called to order at 10 o'clock by the State President, Pamela Bigham, who used the opening ritual. After an inspiring devotional, Mr. D. K. Pittman, principal of East Mecklenburg, extended a hearty welcome and challenged the Future Homemakers to take their responsibility and privilege seriously. Greetings from Miss Mary Hines Leonard were followed by the introduction of Miss Daphne Eller, State F.H.A. adviser, who urged the girls to make this a profitable and meaningful year for F.H.A.

Miss Laurice White, guest speaker, delighted the group with a discussion of "Boy and Girl Relationships." Her sparkling voice and vivacious personality immediately won the attention of everyone present.

A new note of interest was introduced during the campaign for next year's song leader. Two young men for East High, F.H.A. members, acted as campaign managers for Jeanette Phillips, who taught the group "She'll Be Coming Around The Mountain." Shirley Tarleton, from Morven, sang an original song, and Clara Burris from Endy, sang "Sweet Violets." Clara Burris was elected to the office of State Song Leader.

After a delicious lunch served in the cafeteria, Mrs. Ruth Cathey opened the afternoon session with

some catchy rounds. Miss Jane Grey Brumley, District Adviser, and Pamela Bigham brought home the National Leadership Conference by using a skit on correct parliamentary procedure. The courtesy committee reported that everyone had thoroughly enjoyed the District VI Rally, and the President ended a prefect day with the closing ritual.

DISTRICT VII October 13 Mocksville

The District VII rally met in Mocksville at the Mocksville High School with Carmel Long of Griffith State Song leader, presiding. The North Wilkesboro chapter conducted the devotions, using a skit to depict the Biblical scene of Mary and Martha.

Ivey Nell Basley, of the Mocksville Chapter, and Mr. C. L. Tarland, principal of the Mocksville High School, extended a warm welcome to all guests. Greetings from Miss Louise Lowe, District Supervisor of Home Economics, were followed by the introduction of the District Adviser, Mrs. Elizabeth Green of South Fork.

After the roll call and minutes by the acting secretary, the candidates for state historian and their campaign manager were presented. Peggy Dunn of the Clemmons Chapter was elected to serve in 1952-53.

Carmel Long gave a graphic description of her trip to the Leadership Conference in East Lansing, Michigan, and taught the group several songs which she learned at the conference.

A delicious picnic lunch was enjoyed by all the members and guests.

The feature of the afternoon session was a discussion by Mrs. Besse M. Rosa, professor at Woman's College, Greensboro, whose theme was "Getting Along with Our Families and Friends." Vocal talent was supplied by Wanda and Virginia Spears, of the Union Grove Chapter.

The registration committee reported five hundred and sixty-four in attendance, with fifty-six schools represented from twelve western counties. District VII enjoyed having as guests Miss Louise Lowe and Miss Daphne Eller, State F.H.A. Adviser.

DISTRICT VIII Valdese November 3

Working with the theme "Peace at Home Makes Peace Abroad," 896 girls from 56 chapters in 22 counties throughout Western North Carolina met at Valdese High School to attend District VIII Rally.

Rev. James Fitzgerald, pastor of the Connely Springs circuit, spoke on the theme of the rally, followed by a choral selection, "Song of Peace" by Canton chapter. Everyone was more conscious of the need for peace as the girls sang: "This is my home, the country where my heart is, Here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine; But other hearts in other lands are beating with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine." Dorothy Street of the Valdese chapter gave a welcome to the group and Sally Kate Wilkerson, Mill Spring chapter, responded. R. L. Patton, Superin-

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Candidates for Song Leader from District VI: Clara Burris, Endy; Jeannette Phillips, East; Shirley Tarleton, Morven.

Chapter Chatter

The initiation of new members of the B. F. Grady chapter hit a high note of hilarity when the girls modeled originally designed hats, one of the most outstanding ones was fashioned from a colander.

The forty-three members of the Wine-coff chapter plan to raise money for the chapter by selling Christmas and all-occasion cards. Inspection of girls' rest room in the new high school building was chosen for the school project. The newly-elected officers are: Shirley Griffin, president; Joan Clanton, vice-president; Mary Sue Holden, secretary; Pansy Stowe, treasurer; Janice Little, historian; June Mills, parliamentarian; Barbara Moose, pianist; Margaret Crider, song leader.

The Oakboro chapter began planning early to make the activities of their chapter more interesting and worthwhile by using the opening and closing rituals for the regular monthly meetings. The yearly program topics were chosen with consideration of education as well as entertainment, and chapter members were carefully selected to plan and present these programs. At the first regular meeting the new members were initiated, and year books were distributed which included: club officers, work, degrees, program, and finance committees; opening and closing rituals, programs for the year, financial and recreational information. Peggy Carpenter was in charge of the program entitled, "Fall and Winter Styles." Members taking part on the program were: Peggy Brothers, Carol Lee Barbee, Ruby Eudy, Gloria Nance, Jane Whitley, Annette Hunneycutt, Annie Lee Crisco, and Joan Little. Everyone enjoyed a very interesting report on F. H. A. night at the Lost Colony given by Jane Whitley and Bobbie Kay Brattain.

The year's theme for the Tri-High chapter is to improve individual and group recreation in our homes, school, and community. One of the projects presented by the projects committee was a lending library of games and reference books on recreation for the entire student body to enjoy at school or take home for family members or friends to enjoy. Other projects suggested were: sending cards to sick in the community, making joke books for hospitals, and the establishment and operation of a first aid-room at the school. The social highlights of the year will be: "Welcome Back to School Social," a Christmas party, and the April tea. An attractive yearbook has been prepared, using colorful oil cloth backs.

The Concord chapter installed their newly elected officers at their annual Mother-daughter meeting. The highlight of the ceremony was the candle service in which each new officer was presented a lighted candle upon accepting the oath of office. After the installation service, Mrs. E. F. Litaker spoke to the group. Refreshments of soda floats and cookies were served by the refreshment committee. Chapter Mothers, Mrs. J. R. Mothershed, Mrs. J. L. Sides, and Mrs. A. R. Hoover, Jr., were special guests. New officers for the chapter are: Elizabeth Poplin, president; Viola Carriker,

vice-president; Ruth Nance, secretary; Janice Tucker, treasurer; Francis Smith, parliamentarian, Carol Puckett, historian; Wanda Yow, reporter; and Ruth Leigh, song leader.

The Asheboro chapter met September 25 at Miss Phillips' home for the initiation of new members. Thirty-five members enjoyed a picnic supper in the back yard, with the ceremony in the dining room after the meal. Joanne Scott, president, presided over the meeting. The table was decorated with red and white, using a vase of red roses in the center of the table, flanked with red and white candles. The chapter emblem was used at the right of the roses. Each girl was given a miniature emblem. During the business session, plans were made to attend the District Rally at Altamahaw-Ossipee. Those planning to attend were: Jo Ann Scott, Althea Russell, Helen McPherson, Marian Cox, Yvonne Rick, Reva Garner, and Esther Parrish.

The Booneville chapter began their fun early this year. The chapters of the Federation in Yadkin and Surry counties held their annual meeting at the Fireman's Grill, at the fair grounds in Mt. Airy, with Miss Venable from the Copeland chapter presiding. The Chaplain, Janice Dobson from Mt. Airy, conducted the devotions, then we all joined in singing songs led by Martha Leigh and Wilma Moxley of Booneville. The crowd enjoyed a weiner roast after which the meeting was adjourned and everyone was free to go to the County Fair at Mt. Airy. There were enough rides for everyone to have fun. Everyone went home with sleepy heads, but they were filled with memories.

The Ellerbe chapter began its new year with a meeting Monday night, September 11, in the Home Economics building. Reba McCall, vice-president, presided over the meeting. After the business, she led a very interesting program entitled, "Family Relations in the Home." She also told the club about the year's work and the yearbook. After the program, the F. F. A. boys were invited in for recreation and refreshments. With twenty-five members this year, we are looking forward to a good year in learning to be better homemakers. The new officers for the year are: president, Ann Broadway; vice-president, Reba McCall; secretary, Betty Harris; treasurer, Carol Ellerbe; parliamentarian, Mary Louise Smith; reporter, Lillian McInnis; historian, Johsie Sugg.

The Mount Holly chapter has gotten well underway this year with seventy-five members, which doubles their last year's membership. Some of the goals selected for the year are: to acquaint the public with F. H. A. and its various activities; to sponsor two group projects, open house in December, and a fashion review in April; to participate in district, state, and national projects; to provide wholesome individual and group recreation; and to promote leadership, responsibility, and co-operation. Their first meeting, which was held jointly with the F. F. A. boys, was planned around a film, "The Late Date," which explained in a vivid manner the perils of reckless driving. The officers are: Sharon Herring, president; Evelyn Stillwell, vice-president; Jo Anne Edwards, secretary; Harriet Lee, treasurer; Peggy

Dietz, reporter; Paula Ballard, parliamentarian; Faye Abernathy, song leader; and Patsy Rabb, pianist.

The Laurel Hill chapter held an impressive candle light ceremony in chapel on October the 9th to initiate their twenty-four new members. A centerpiece of red roses was used on the table. The officers were seated around the table, with the president presiding. The purposes of the organization were given by eight guides. The vice-president read the creed and explained the emblem. Small felt emblems were pinned on the new members. The program was concluded by the entire group repeating the creed in unison.

Ten high schools represented Rowan County in the seventh district F. H. A. rally at Mocksville, Saturday. The high schools represented were Boyden, Cleveland, China Grove, East Spencer, Granite Quarry, Landis, Mount Ulla, Rockwell, Spencer, and Woodleaf. The rally began at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 3 p.m.

Five girls of the Henderson chapter and their adviser, Mrs. Cobb, attended the District 4 Rally which was held in Raleigh, Saturday, October 6. The rally was an all day affair, in which Sarah Pulley, vice-president of the Henderson chapter, was in charge of the devotional period. The club held its first meeting September 20, during which the officers of the club were elected. They are: Cleo Ester Burrier, president; Sarah Pulley, vice-president; Jane Kenn, secretary; and Joyce Faulkner, treasurer.

The Red Springs F. H. A. held its first meeting last Thursday in the auditorium and officers were elected at this time. Shirley Kennedy was named as the new president; Gale Simpson, vice-president; Jean Sanders, secretary; Betty Sue McGoogan, treasurer; Joyce Mize, historian; Irene Lane, parliamentarian; Myrtis Boone Johnson, reporter; Juanita Nurnberger and Millie Culbreth, song leader; Hilda Gray Maness, social chairman; Betsy Watson, recreational chairman. Mrs. Ben Stanton is the sponsor. The meeting was called to order by the retiring president, Myrtis Johnson, who also extended a welcome to all new members and told them of the club activities. This year's enrollment hits the top with a total of 71 members. The club has one meeting and one social each month. On Saturday, October 6, representatives from the club attended the District rally at Vass-Lakeview, accompanied by Mrs. Stanton and Miss May Boone. Shirley Kennedy, the newly elected president, took part on the program giving a brief history of Robeson County and also called the County Club roll.

Eighty members of the High Point chapter were special guests at the regular Sunday morning worship service at the First Methodist Church in High Point. Dr. Goodson welcomed them with the following remarks: We are pleased to have as special guests at our morning worship service some eighty young women who are members of an organization known as "Future Homemakers of America." There is no need in our land quite as great as the re-establishment of the American home as the basic unit in society for the cultivation of proper moral and spiritual ideals which have always been the basis on which this Republic was founded. We welcome these young women into the service at First Church and bid them come again.

SCOTLAND NECK CHAPTER ENTERTAINS AT CHRISTMAS

Scotland Neck Future Homemakers look forward to what has become their annual Christmas party. Last year they really had a gala affair.

Each member invited her best beau and all the chapter Mothers and their hubbys were there—nearly 95 in all!!!

Entertainment was provided from the time a Christmas corsage was pinned upon each arrival until the last crumb and decoration were cleaned up after most of the guests had gone. Dancing was in one room, games in another, and a rolling log fire in a fireplace in still another room. This room also had a glimmering Christmas tree piled high with gifts which were distributed to all the guests. Tasty refreshments completed a delightful party.

Scotland Neck girls recommend this method highly as one which makes the men love F.H.A.

NEVER MIND TROUBLE

Oh, it's just the little homely things,
The unobtrusive, friendly thing,
The won't - you - let - me - help -
you things,
That make our pathway bright;
And it's just the jolly joking things,
The never-mind-the-trouble things,
The laugh - with - me - it's - funny
things,
That make the world seem right.
Missouri

Suggestions for Christmas Gifts

For Mom: Get up the third time instead of the seventh time Mother calls you for school—for the rest of this school year.

For The Family: Stay home once a month and give Mom and Dad a night out, and get acquainted with the younger members of your family.

For Dad: Ask for the car before you use it; instead of demanding it. Might try walking once in a while too, it does wonders for one's figure.

For the Girls: Get your F.H.A. and other dues in before the various treasurers wear out their new Christmas shoes trying to collect it from you.

For the State F.H.A. Send in a thing for the state newsletter, something from you will be greatly appreciated, no matter what the "THING" is.

For Yourself: Give yourself a good disposition, a cheerful air, that is sure to bring to you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year with many, fine new friends.

For Your Boy Friend: Thoughtfulness; a happy smile, a sweet disposition, and an unselfish nature. Taken from the 1950 Nevada Newsletter.

A Very Merry Christmas
and a
Happy, Happy New Year.



New Hanover Future Homemakers packing boxes for the Salvation Army.

OUR DISTRICT RALLIES

(Continued from page six)

tendent of Burke County Schools, extended greetings.

Some of the lunch hour features were: Look at scrap book on exhibit, visit the home economics house, recreation, and forum for local presidents on National F.H.A. Week. Approximately forty chapter presidents attended the forum, which seemed to indicate a need for informing officers of national projects.

The afternoon session stressed one of our purposes by a skit, "Promoting International Good Will Through the Christian Festival," presented by the Black Mountain chapter.

Everyone was thrilled by local talent. Jean Hunt, Cool Springs chapter, danced the Charleston; Ruth Griffin, of Cliffside, sang "Because of You"; Lucretia Rhadarmier, of Canton, sang a ballad; Gail Hamrick, a relaxer; and the Sand Hill and Candler chapters presented an interesting skit, "Further Careers in Home Economics."

Mrs. Mildred H. Reid, District F.H.A. Adviser, and Miss Louise Swann, Assistant Supervisor of Home Economics, were in charge of general plans for the rally. Thelma Mayfield recognized La Salle Light of the Old Fort chapter as the newly elected State Parliamentarian and adjourned the 1951 District VIII Rally.



Carmel Long from Griffith presents the gavel to Peggy Duns from Clemmons, newly elected Historian.

Wanted!

News for

Chapter Chatter



All this crowd were served pretty Christmas cookies, candies, nuts, and hot chocolate.



Initiation of new F. H. A. members at B. F. Grady. The girls wore originally designed hats. (The hat on the left is a colander.)



Girls from Hoke County F. H. A. have fun making cookies.



F. H. A. girls at District VIII Rally having fun during lunch time.

Future Homemakers of America

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We are the Future Homemakers of America
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope,
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking
Old and precious values.

For we are the builders of homes,
Homes for America's future.
Homes where living will be the expression of everything
That is good and fair.
Homes where truth and love and security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

We are the Future Homemakers of America.
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope.



"The homes of tomorrow are in
the hands of the youth
of today"

CAROLINE SAYS



It isn't the gift a fellow gets, it isn't the shape nor the size, that sets the heart to beating and puts sunshine in your eyes; it isn't the value of the thing, nor how it's wrapped nor tied, it's something else aside from this that makes you glad inside.

It's knowing that it represents a love both deep and true, that someone carries in his heart and wants to slip to you. It's knowing that some folks love you and tell you in this way—just sorta acting out the things they long to say. So it isn't the gift a fellow gets, nor how it's wrapped nor tied; it's knowing that folks like you, that makes you glad inside.

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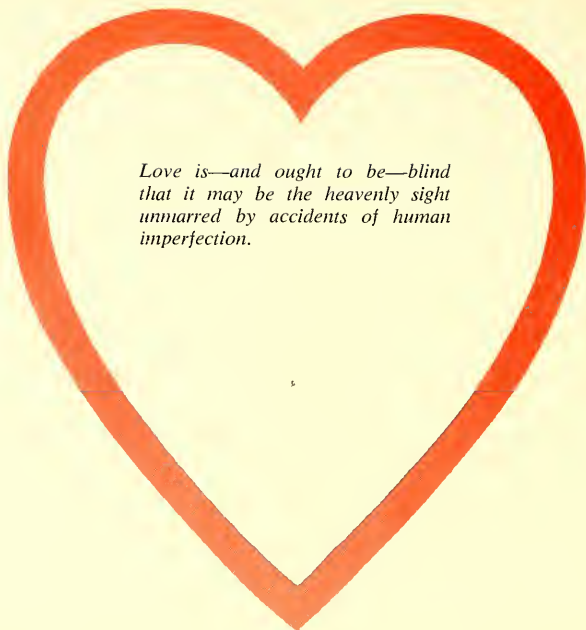
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that it may be the heavenly sight
unmarred by accidents of human
imperfection.*

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Hands

Across the Sea . . .

... Future Homemakers share friendship and good will with our neighbors of other lands.

Members of the Lee Edwards Chapter are shown packing a relief box for overseas. Included in the box are school supplies and home economics equipment such as thread, needles, scissors, and sewing kits, soap, hand lotion and other cosmetics. The box was sent to the National Office in New York for overseas shipment. Shown inspecting items to be included are, left to right, Shirlee Bordner, Barbara Whitley, and Jeanne Pritchard.



"We are the voices of three billion people who live on this planet, our planet. Three billion human beings who differ in race, in creed, in culture, in color, in religions, and in beliefs. But we are united by the universal needs of all mankind. . . . We are united in our determination to learn how to make three billion dreams come true."

Future Homemakers are helping a great deal to make many dreams come true by building a strong feeling of international friendship. The 800 delegates who attended the District Rally at Rock Ridge learned through a pageant "Life in these United Nations" that international friendships and good will may be developed through an honest effort to understand our world neighbors. The girls learned that though their governments, education, economics and home life may differ that we all have universal pastime activities—principally that of music and dancing. After having some insight into the brighter side of the lives of other countries, more effort will be given to create a better understanding and hence bring unity and peace among all nations.

Pamlico County Future Homemakers believe that world peace be-

gins at home and chose to learn more about displaced persons who are living in their community.

"It there anything else to have for breakfast besides bread?"

Americans and Pamlico Countians could not imagine having any such poor selection of foods offered to them for breakfast. This was the answer given by Pamlico County's Displaced Persons family when they were asked what they would have for breakfast. No American knows the acute gnawing of hunger and fear as do the Alexander Wynmysks, and neither does any American know the wonderful feeling of blissful relief at being in a land where "everybody is so good to us."

The Wynmysks are Russian Ukrainians who first met in Germany while "visitors" of the German people, in a work camp. Later their "hosts" were replaced by the Russians. Neither the German nor the Russian doctrine appealed to them.

When the chance came to live in America, as American citizens, through the Oriental Methodist church, and the Methodist Overseas Commission of New York, they took

it gladly, for to them it was the outlook of a better life to come, a new hope and prosperity.

Their wildest dreams were answered when they first arrived and found a little three-room home waiting for them—a roof over their heads, a new experience—belonging to their employer, W. B. Gooding of Pamlico. And this dream was made even greater when they found it almost completely furnished by members of the Oriental Methodist church, who did not plan to bring their charges here and drop them.

Crowning the generous help of the Methodists came the results of a week's work by the county's Future Homemakers of America Chapter, when they took a box of food, gifts, clothes, and little things to the family.

With tears in her eyes—tears of gratitude and appreciation—Mrs. Wynmykrepeated over and over again phrases strange to the girls, but phrases which she had tried to make her countless other benefactors understand. And Mrs. Gregory quietly said, "She asked me to tell you that she and her husband and her chil-

dren never knew that people could be so kind, just as I've heard her say so many times before."

The **Laurinburg Chapter** feel that they will be better friends to Germany after having two German teachers visit in their school for two weeks.

The visiting teachers had very few criticisms of America and those were ones which could be corrected, such as young people not rising when older people come into the room and the government not letting Germany build up again.

Differences in style of dress, meals, sports, and schools were somewhat amusing to the German teachers and theirs to the student body. Brighter colors are worn in America than in Germany. Also the visitors stated that in their country the teachers and girls never wear lipstick, high heeled shoes, or costume jewelry to school.

According to Misses Doermer and Schrader, German meals do not have as much variety as those in the United States; at each meal they serve potatoes. Another difference is that the Germans have four meals a day. Emily Post would not get far in Germany for the left hand always stays on the table—never in the lap.

Baseball is said to be **THE** American sport, but it is not so popular in Germany. A long walk of ten or twelve miles is what the children and older people look forward to in Germany. Most Americans would find no enjoyment in this sport. Also American football

is rarely played but tag football is popular.

In Laurinburg the schools are crowded. German children go to school at different times each day because the schools are inadequate to room all of them. The curriculum is set down for German students with no choice in subjects. Holidays from schools do not come in a three-months period as here in the United States, but at all of their national holidays school is out for about three weeks each time.

The German girls are larger boned than the American girls. The visitors said American girls were very slim. Girls in the United States always seem to worry about their weight; so this makes them feel better. American boys are taller than the German boys.

One of the trends the visitors especially liked about the people of the United States was that there is no class distinction. They found this to be a loving and friendly nation.

Many chapters now have a feeling of good will toward Japan after a visit of four Japanese supervisors and one principal to North Carolina schools.

The Japanese visitors could read some English but spoke very little of our language and, therefore, were accompanied by an interpreter. The visitors were greatly impressed with the friendliness and informality of the students toward their teachers, and the fact that men have great respect for women. In Japan men precede women.



Wedding Attire of Japanese Girl

Those of you who were able to see their native costume, noted the bright colors of the long flowing kimonos and the big sleeves with concealed pockets. The most interesting part of ensemble was a wide sash called obi. Japanese girls and women do not wear lipstick, rouge, or finger nail polish. For school, all girls wear dark skirts and middie blouses, and straw or wooden shoes with a strap which goes between the big and second toe.

The visitors enjoyed American food but did not like our tea. In Japan they eat rice, a great deal of fish, with raw fish a very special dish! They like soybeans, egg plant, tomatoes, onions, and beans. They also enjoy fruits, and grow wonderful peaches and satsuma oranges.

Baseball is a popular sport in Japan. They also enjoy movies. Special occasions to which they look forward are festival days, similar to our holidays. The favorite for young people is the Peach Fete or the Festival of the Dolls, held March 3. Dolls are kept as sacred possessions and some of them are hundreds of years old.

While the Japanese were here they were able to participate in many varied activities such as visiting the new Walter Williams High School in Burlington; Eli Whitney School; Dunn homemaking department; a meeting of Cumberland County teachers; Hugh Morson, Rolesville, Wake Forest, and Morganton Schools; and the Family Life Council Meeting in Asheville. They were especially interested in F. H. A. and stressed the desire of Japanese boys and girls to hear from American youth.



Future Homemakers in Laurinburg have German teachers as Guest Speakers. Standing left to right: Betty Bledsae, pianist; Ann Still, secretary; Peggy Lackey, historian; Julia Jones, treasurer. Seated are: Miss Helma Schroder of Bremen, Germany and Miss Ursula Doermer of Kassel, Germany.

What Does F.H.A. Mean to You?

If you were approached with the question, "What does F. H. A. mean to you?" how would you reply? Would your answer really interpret the true meaning of our organization? How would you explain the eight purposes of our organization and let the interested person know that Future Homemakers are really striving to learn to appreciate every aspect of home life, to improve the homes and stimulate democratic living for all members of that family unit, to contribute to less fortunate persons in other countries in the hope of establishing lasting peace, to develop creative leadership and to combat idleness and restlessness?

Patricia Carpenter of the **Shelby Chapter** explains what F. H. A. means to her:

"The Future Homemakers organization is not just a group of girls sitting at a dull meeting several times a year but a group of active girls all working for the same purpose of promoting a better understanding of family and community life. Any and every girl who has ever been enrolled as a member of the Future Homemakers knows what a great value she has achieved and how knowledge of these two things will make her better prepared to take her place in the community.

The Future Homemakers of America means a great deal to me for it has bettered my understanding of people and their everyday problems. It has given me a chance to correspond with people in foreign countries, give Christmas presents to the needy and watch their eyes light up with the joy that comes during a life time, and bring a little joy into a person's life who may have to stay in the hospital for months. After I had once seen the tears of gladness roll down some unfortunate person's face it makes my heart leap with joy to know that our club had made someone happy. Maybe, in your small way as a member of the Future Homemakers you too can know the happiness and the wholesome enjoyment of knowing that you with your club have benefited the community in which you live."

What program or activities has your chapter planned to show the members, school, and community that you are learning to live better in order that our lives and those of our families may be better tomorrow?

Does your chapter emphasize the many values of F. H. A.? Does

your school and community think of you as a social club or an organization which is working Toward New Horizons?

The **Murphy High School** chapter has spent a great deal of time studying the organization and functions of F. H. A. We have tried to give every girl, or at least help each one, learn the purposes of the organization.

"Our officers have worked hard on their programs and on several community projects. The best of these was helping with the pre-school clinic.

F. H. A. is a very definite part of our homemaking education program. Next year we plan to try to get into State F. H. A. work. We felt that it would be best to center our work around local problems this year, but we certainly want to work on the national and international projects next year."

La Grange chapter made an interesting F. H. A. center in their department by painting a desk, book case, and two chairs to match a rocking chair left to the department.

Walstonburg chapter sponsored a Christmas party for children under six years of age. The 1st year homemaking class selected games, records, and stories to read. The 2nd year class selected, planned, and prepared simple refreshments. The F. H. A. members not enrolled in homemaking classes were hostesses and decorated for the party. By giving the party the girls were learning to accept and enjoy their responsibilities in their homes.

Cooleemee chapter emphasized the importance of worthy home membership by conducting a panel discussion on "Making a Happy Home." This was an assembly program with five members and a chairman taking part.

Oakhurst observed a "Be Courteous Week." Each member took as her duty to do an extra good deed for someone. "Be Courteous" was used as the topic of one of the monthly meeting and each member reported the deed performed for someone. The chapter also gave as a chapel program a one act play "How Courtesy Helps in Everyday Living."

Roxboro members worked toward creating better understanding of the community needs when they took as a project the painting of the two assembly rooms of the county home. They bought some lovely jade green

paint with money from their treasury and with a special donation made by a local civic club. For four afternoons the adviser and a group of girls worked, painting and washing windows. After having finished, they were proud of the gay walls which replaced the drab brown ones.

Murfreesboro chapter learned new ways of practicing democracy in their homes by studying about family councils and how to set them up in their own family circles.

Troy chapter reports: Three girls, F. H. A. members living in the same community, became interested in putting over a "Family Sunday" in their church, and as a result of their work nine families (all members) went to both Sunday School and Church. They sat together in Church and created even more interest. From reports this resulted in four people going to Church who hadn't been in three years, and ten going to Sunday School, some who hadn't been in as much as eight years.

Family fishing trips and picnic, from a Mother's report—"Just to please Janet, for she had her heart set on all of us going together for a good time, and we really did have such a good time and are going to do it again."

During National F. H. A. Week we had publicity in the paper. Information in the school by posters and a talk in chapel.

Each member looked up in magazines members of the school and reported an interested fact about F. H. A. club members' work.

Durham chapter promoted international good will by wrapping gifts for teen-agers in Korea. Some of the gifts sent were wash cloths, tooth brushes and tooth paste, Bibles, blouses, skirts, ties, socks, towels, sweaters, and many other useful things.

Etowah chapter decided to adopt Mrs. Burr Boughman's homemaking class in Borneo. Mr. Burr Boughman and his wife are Methodist missionaries but she has a homemaking class in connection with their mission work. She teaches the girls how to cook and sew, similar to our classes here in America except they don't have the modern equipment we have. They also have different habits and a lower standard of living than we have. We plan to send some boxes of things they will be able to use in their classes. The girls in the school range from 6 to 16 years of age.

Cameron sent approximately \$20

worth of books and a box of clothing to a needy family in Japan.

Williams Township chapter adopted local families. During November the chapter discussed collecting clothes, canned food, candy and fruit for two poor families for Christmas. The girls worked hard preparing the boxes but they seemed to enjoy it very much. They were doubly repaid for their efforts by the looks of gratitude on the faces of the families.

Cobb Memorial took as their special project Leadership. The members learned how to make reports, correct parliamentary procedure and how to preside at class meetings. They were given opportunity to participate in programs in order to gain poise and self confidence.

B. F. Grady learned to accept and enjoy responsibilities in their homes by having their chapter meetings in individual homes. Each girl is quite anxious to have the meeting in her home and accept this responsibility with great pride. In order to be prepared for this occasion one monthly meeting was devoted to the topic "Manners in the Home."

Valley Springs members felt that there was a definite need for Purpose No. VI, as they do not have a student government, or an organization in which the young people can learn and practice group leadership. Most activities are teacher directed rather than teacher guided.

"The programs and activities were planned by a committee of members. Our sponsor helped and gave suggestions when we asked, or needed help. Everyone had a chance to be a leader, as different members were used at every meeting. The leadership was enjoyed by all. Great progress was noticed when the last meeting was compared with that of the first last fall.

Harrisburg had a program on careers available to girls based on different requirements and amounts of education. The fields of Home Ec. were stressed.

Huntersville chapter had discussions on opportunities for Home Economists and some of the outstanding points concerning this field.

Who Is Your Pen Pal?

You have no doubt learned that it is really the little things in life that count, such as a friendly smile or a warm hello. In building international good will, the warm hellos and friendly greetings are far reaching in promoting a lasting peace. Would you like to have an interest in building a secure and peaceful world? How? By choosing a pen pal! Boys and girls in other countries love to tell you of their interests and to learn of yours. Did you know that baseball is very popular in Japan, and that they have movies but no drive-ins because of the scarcity of cars?

In letters received, many contain descriptions of the beautiful scenery of their countries, the activities of their families, their interest in knowing other people, but never giving any hint of envy of Americans, or self pity, and "not wanting" something, as we are prone to believe.

We have been given the names and addresses of some Japanese high schools, all of which have home economics, and many F. H. A. chapters. Which will YOU choose?

Niigata Chuo, Senior High School, Niigata City, Niigata Prefecture, Japan.

Sanjyo Higashi, Senior High School, Sanjyo City, Niigata Prefecture, Japan.

Murakami Sakuragaoka Senior High School, Murakami-Machi, Iwafune-gun, Niigata Prefecture, Japan.

Nishi-Shibata Senior High School, Shibata City, Niigata Prefecture, Japan.

Niitsu Senior High School, Niitsu City, Niigata Prefecture, Japan.

Daini Nagaoka Senior High School, Nagaoka City, Niigata Prefecture, Japan.

Tochio Senior High School, Tochio-Machi, Koshigun, Niigata Prefecture, Japan.

Tokamachi Senior High School, Tokamachi, Naka-Uonumagun, Niigata Prefecture, Japan.

Kashiwazaki Tokiwa Senior High School, Kashiwazaki City, Niigata Prefecture, Japan.

Arai Senior High School, Arai-machi, Nakakubikigun, Niigata Prefecture, Japan.

Sado Chuo Senior High School, Kanazawa nura, Sadogun, Niigata Prefecture, Japan.

Takada Kitashiro Senior High

School, Takada City, Niigata Prefecture, Japan.

Sado Senior High School, Kawaharada-Machi, Sadogun, Niigata Prefecture, Japan.

Naoetsu Senior High School, Naoetsu-Machi, Nakakubiki-gun, Niigata Prefecture, Japan.

Yoita Senior High School, Yoitamachi, Santo-gun, Niigata Prefecture, Japan.

Now that you have chosen a school, what will you write about?

1. Yourself mostly, your family, friends, pets, hobbies. They are interested in "you."

2. About their country, the good and nice things you know about it. The people you know personally or about who came from their country. Things their country has given or done for ours. France gave us the Statue of Liberty, etc.

3. The holidays that are approaching—Valentine, Easter, etc. What they stand for and how we celebrate them.

4. Youth organizations, FHA of course, FFA, Scouts, Hi-Y, Church, etc.

5. Your school, the subjects you like, the books you read, movies, songs, etc.

6. Your plans for the future.

7. Find out when their birthday is and send them a card. They would probably like receiving cards at Christmas, etc., and all the other days "we" have special cards for!

In writing, it is wise to remember the boys and girls may not have as much as you do in material things. Try not to ever make them unhappy by telling too much of the things you have—concentrate more on the things you do.

Write clearly, in short well worded sentences. If you use slang expressions, be certain you explain to them that it is slang, and what it means.

Have a sense of humor—they may enjoy an occasional cartoon on "us." Susie Q or Penny or Nancy.

Be certain you include your own name in full and complete address. You "do" want an answer.

Learn some words in their language. Japanese boys and girls write complete letters in beautiful English. Surely we can learn a few words of the language of our friends across the sea.



Money Makers

Future Homemakers have more suggestions for money makers than Bob Hope and Bing Crosby have jokes. All make money—more or less. It is wise to concentrate on two or three big jobs each year rather than to piddle along with two dozen small ones. Such factors as weather, size of school and town, and efficiency of operation naturally affect the projects produced.

In choosing your money-making schemes, there are considerations other than the anticipated returns. Is the activity a worthwhile one that your parents, your school, and community approve? Will it help teach members to co-operate, to share and to develop other talents? Does it meet good homemaking standards? Is it good publicity for F. H. A.? Is it fun-raising as well as fund-raising? Will you be learning while earning?

Garner Chapter contributes this suggestion for making money: "Our treasury being almost exhausted of funds, we decided that something had to be done. Having made this brilliant deduction, a capable finance chairman and committee were appointed. A trip to the nation's capital was our goal, and for such a trip we needed money and plenty of it, (considering the size of our chapter roll, 74).

"The finance committee put their heads together and decided upon a scheme that had been very profitable in the past. We had good saleswomen in the chapter, why not sell 'Modern Methods,' a complete line of household products and cleansers. All



The girls shown above are the four Home Economics girls from Shelby who won a ten dollar prize for their canned foods at the Cleveland County Fair last September. Left to right are Ceraldine Mix, Barbara Lovelace, Ruth Guthrie, and Patricia Ledbetter.

members then proceeded to plague the neighborhood housewives.

"Having proved ourselves first-rate saleswomen, we embarked on selling Christmas cards. When Christmas season passed, we switched types of cards. This time, birthday cards, personalized stationery, and all occasion greeting cards were sold successfully.

"During our football, basketball, and baseball seasons we made candy, lemonade, popped corn, and parched peanuts for sale to the spectators. These refreshments were also sold at some of the other school functions.

"So now, with many thanks to our

fine finance chairman and committee, and members, the Garner Future Homemakers of America Club proudly announces that they are Washington bound!"

The **Polkville** Future Homemakers have some interesting and helpful news to pass along. "It all came about as we planned our scheme to raise money for our district officer's expenses to the National Conference.

"We decided we would like to have an old fashioned barn dance, but the question was how would we get needed money? After much 'bickering,' it was suggested that we charge admission by the size of one's foot. In other words if your shoe size was 7½, you paid 15c. You might know we gave special invitations to all those with big feet!

New Bern Chapter really knows how to make work turn into ready cash. The girls had an exhibit at the Tri-County fair and won first premium which was \$25.00. They sold Christmas cards to make extra money for the treasury. The girls are divided into two teams to see which team could make the most money. The losing team had to give the winning team a Christmas party. The chapter now has \$142 in the treasury.

Oak Hill Chapter makes money by having rummage sales on Saturdays.

Some good old stand-bys are: hobo days, baby sitting, school dances, beauty contest, and basketball games.



Before the fun some work must be done. These Polkville girls are cleaning the loft in preparation for the square dance.

A New Way to Aid Foreign Schools

Is your chapter one of the many to write to State or National Headquarters for a foreign school to adopt only to find, to your disappointment, that none were available?

A new program has been announced which makes it possible to aid foreign schools through the United Nations. This program is called the Unesco Gift Coupon Plan. Through it, by buying a coupon for only 25c, an individual can make his gift count toward something that war-devastated or under-developed countries badly need.

The program seems to be a good way for F. H. A. Chapters who have been unable to secure a foreign school for adoption to carry out their goal of promoting international good will as well as their national project of adopting foreign home economics classes.

For the present, while the plan gets under way, members will have to sell enough gift coupons at 25c each to fill one \$10 book.

One of the urgent needs of people overseas is equipment for schools. most people now have at least a minimum of food and clothes, but the schools lack the tools to teach the necessary skills. A number of schools in such countries as the Philippines, Austria, and the Middle East need sewing machines, cooking equipment, and audio visual aids. You can't buy a sewing machine for 25c or even \$10, but you can make a contribution, which, combined with other donations, will eventually get that sewing machine overseas.

National headquarters of Future Homemakers will keep a supply of \$10 gift books filled with 25c coupons. If your chapter is interested in the plan, you should send the following information to National headquarters.

1. Name of your chapter
2. Address
3. Name of adviser or officer with whom they should correspond
4. Country you prefer to help, listing 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choices
5. Number of books at \$10 each you want.

When you have sold \$10 worth of stamps, you return the money to National Headquarters and they in turn forward it to U. N. When all the arrangements have been com-

pleted, your chapter will receive a Gift Coupon, which is your receipt, and which you will send directly to the school you selected.

Address your letters to Miss Jerline Kennedy, Assistant National Ad-

viser, Future Homemakers of America, Federal Security Building, Washington 25, D. C.

If you want to join this peace-saving plan, send for your gift books now.

Many people have asked where one should write to secure the loan of the Japanese file, "For Brighter Home Life." The film is deposited with and may be secured from:

Chief, New York Field Office
Reorientation Division
Office of Occupied Areas
Office of Secretary of the Army
Department of the Army
139 Centre Street
New York 13, N. Y.

COVER PICTURE

These Japanese visitors who spent two weeks in North Carolina studying democracy in the public schools, are having an enjoyable time browsing in the N. C. Art Gallery. Even though Japan is noted for beautiful fabrics, they are learning that North Carolina is also famous for textiles.

Plan an F. H. A. Corner

How to keep every member interested in Future Homemakers of America thirty days a month is a problem every F. H. A. officer and adviser would like to have solved. Have you thought of an F. H. A. corner or nook?

An ideal situation would provide for a reading table, and shelves, comfortable chairs and good lights, a bulletin board and a space to hang the emblem, banner, or creed.

This corner would provide a place to store back issues of the "Newsletter" and "Teen Times" for future use. Program, money-making, party, helps on parliamentary procedure,

and many other ideas printed one year are just as good the next year. The secretary's record book, publications, scrapbooks, and other material can be efficiently kept and used as needed.

The bulletin board is needed to post announcements concerning chapter activities, program suggestions, newspaper clippings and other bits of interest.

Why not plan now to have an F. H. A. center in your school. It could be arranged similar to the attractive one in the accompanying picture from Hoke County High Homemaking Department.



A group of Hoke County F. H. A. girls enjoying the F. H. A. nook in their homemaking department.

Chapter Chatter

The Franklin Chapter began early in the summer to have an active F. H. A. this year and they are really a wide awake group. Seven members attended camp at White Lake last summer, and they were represented at the District Rally at Mocksville and the Surry-Yadkin Rally and picnic. After getting a lot of enthusiasm and good ideas from these meetings, they were able to take an active part in the Christmas festival and National F. H. A. week.

Included in the activities were collecting food and clothing for a needy family and school cleanliness. Members washed the windows in the hall of the high school building, washed the blackboards and did various other clean-up and repair jobs. The highlight of the week was a tea for Mothers and the school faculty. Sixty-eight people signed the guest book.

The tea table was decorated with chrysanthemums and candles. An exhibit of F. H. A. materials and activities was displayed. Officers and committee chairmen greeted the guests, presided at the guest book and tea table. Members from the tenth grade made the refreshments which consisted of spiced tea, sandwiches, and cookies.

The Bertie County Fair was held in Windsor, November 12 through the 17, in the Rogers' Warehouse. The three F. H. A. Chapters, Aulander, Colerain, and Windsor, had as their exhibit theme, "Toward New Horizons." We had a slanting table display 16' x 8' x 3'. We had the paths leading from the home, the church, and the school to the main path, which led to the horizon. The dolls, representing various vocations, were placed on these paths, and we hope conveyed the thought of the three units working together to lead the F. H. A.'s on to a better and brighter future. We tied the table display to the background, a horizon, with red and white streamers.

The Colerain chapter was responsible for the dolls, the Aulander chapter for the buildings, and the Windsor chapter for the table, background, etc. We received twenty-five dollars for our exhibit, and after the expenses were taken out each chapter received seven dollars for their treasury.

Cerro Gordo Chapter members are learning to be more worthy home members by having a panel discuss social and family problems.

The panel made up of two local ministers, Rev. Eugene Purcell and Rev. C. E. Brisson, the F. H. A. chapter mother, Mrs. Grace McClelland, and the teenagers, Ruth Jenkins, and Beamon Nance, Jr.

Mrs. McClelland, who is the mother of a teen-age girl, said she sympathized with the girl who is old enough and mature enough to date but whose mama and papa says, "no can do."

Miss Jenkins and young Nance agreed that 10 p.m. is a good curfew on school nights, and thought 16 was a good age for boys and girls to begin dating.

The Rev. Mr. Brisson took the view that 20 is the youngest age that any person should marry, while Rev. Mr. Purcell put it in other language: "Marriage is

for adults." A boy or girl, immature in mind or emotions, should not marry early. Rev. Mr. Purcell said, adding that "some people should never marry because they never grow up."

Rev. Mr. Purcell led the discussion on problems in dating, the wearing of lipstick, the division of household tasks, marriage and religious matters. Many helpful opinions and suggestions were given by the various members of the panel.

The program was arranged by the Future Homemakers of America, under the supervision of Mrs. Blanche Williamson, home economics teacher.

In November the Mangum F. H. A. chapter initiated 14 new members into the club in a formal installation service. Red roses flanked by red and white candles formed an impressive background for this first F. H. A. assembly program of the year.

The officers for 1951-52 were introduced to the student body. The ideas and purposes of the F. H. A. were explained by the club officers. Barbara Gilchrist, president, pinned the F. H. A. colors on each new member. This portion of the program was closed with the F. H. A. prayer song.

After a short interlude the first year homemaking class, under the direction of Mrs. Goldston, presented an original style review of winter cotton dresses.

The Mangum Chapter also observed National F. H. A. Week by setting out a red rose bush in front of the Home Economics Cottage.

The Henderson Chapter held its regular meeting Tuesday, November 13, in the home of Mrs. Edward Cobb.

In the business meeting a very short discussion was held on the plans for the future. Doctor and Mrs. Gregg were selected as the club mother and father.

Following the business, refreshments were served consisting of cookies, candy, and cold drinks.

Classrooms of the school were brightened considerably by the beautiful roses furnished of the F. H. A. in recognition of National F. H. A. week.

The Vass-Lakeview F. H. A. Chapter held its regular monthly meeting in the home economics department on Thursday, December 20, at 12:45 o'clock. After the regular business session was concluded the seniors presented a very interesting program on "Marriage In Foreign Countries." This was a part of their world Christmas festival. All present joined in repeating the club creed after which refreshments were served. After presents were exchanged the meeting adjourned with the singing of Christmas carols.

The club attended a Christmas party for the Moore County FHA members at the American Legion hut near Carthage on December 13. Two chapter mothers, Mrs. Bullen and Mrs. Womack, and the club adviser, Miss Jane Lewis, accompanied the twenty-six representatives from Vass-Lakeview. All enjoyed the talent show, skits and Christmas carols around the open fire. The evening was concluded with the serving of delicious refreshments which were served in a holiday motif.

On Thursday night, December 13, the Moore County F. H. A. girls opened the Christmas season with a party at the Carthage Legion hut.

The Aberdeen Chapter had charge of the entertainment which included several games and singing of the Christmas carols by the open fireplace. The Four Bills from Carthage High School, Bill Fry, Bill Flinchum, Bill Sabiston, and Bill Holder, gave a musical treat with "Shortening Bread," "In the Evening" and "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," which was greatly enjoyed by all the group.

The room was beautifully decorated with greenery and candles in the windows and the refreshment table made a delightful picture. Carthage chapter, assisted by Vass-Lakeview, decorated. Cameron chapter served holiday punch and cookies.

During National F. H. A. Week the Aycock Chapter put special emphasis on interpreting the organization to fathers of club members. On Thursday evening the Aycock Chapter entertained with a Daddy-Daughter-Date night—which consisted of a hamburger supper, music, and humorous stunts. Fifty-four people were present. The event proved so successful that plans are being made to continue this idea annually.

Three cheers for Winterville Chapter. During F. H. A. week the members were guests of the Winterville Baptist Church and the minister was so impressed that the girls were asked to present the Emblem Service the following week in place of the regular mid-week prayer service.

Taylorsville Chapter reports a rather unusual activity for F. H. A. week. A slumber party in the homemaking department with forty-three girls and the F. H. A. adviser and one chapter mother present. A football game was played on the home field that night, which the girls attended in a group. Later they bunked down for the night, each girl on her own blanket which she had carried from home. Before going to sleep they treated themselves to candy, popcorn and soft drinks. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the party, except perhaps the chaperones, who were a little stiff from their experience of bunking on the floor for the night.

Rock Springs members entertained the school during lunch time by singing songs in the cafeteria—Song of Peace, F. H. A. Prayer Song, Emblem Benediction, and Happy Birthday to F. H. A. All members sat together and helped eat a delicious white birthday cake decorated with red roses.

Boyden Chapter has a super idea for increasing the enrollment, which you will want to include in next year's plans for your chapter. A Future Homemakers of America Assembly for freshman girls was held to acquaint the girls with the organization.

Pat Bernhard, president, presided. Virginia Atwell explained the F. H. A. pin; Jane Bradshaw, the flower, the red rose, and the motto, "Toward New Horizons"; and Ann Isenhower, the emblem and the color.

Degrees were brought to the attention of the girls by Shirley Deal, who explained the junior homemaker's degree; Regene Molton, the chapter homemaker's degree; and Pat Hamilton, the state homemaker's degree.

Jeann Stanback explained the F. H. A. as an organization, its function, and the freshman initiation.

You have not heard much about the F. H. A. from Elizabethtown this year.

however, we are not sleeping on the job—so I would like to tell you about us.

We organized in September with a membership of 89, ten more than we had last year. We attended the district rally at Vass Lakeview with 13 members from here. Our next event was our float on Farmer's Day, with the officers riding. We pulled the trailer with a jeep that was quite decorated. Several pictures of us were made and some were shown at the movie the following week.

We observed F. H. A. week November 4 through 11, using the F. H. A. calendar as the guide. The highlights of the week were the F. H. A. weiner roast. The new members were initiated at this and finished the initiation on Friday during school (we took their pictures). Another interesting event of F. H. A. week was F. H. A. Sunday. We had about 30 girls that attended Church at the Presbyterian Church and some were on the program. We felt real proud of the club as were recognized. The rest of the F. H. A. members attended at other churches, however this was the largest group at one church.

We have had some excellent programs under the direction of Lynette Suggs, the vice-president. One week our program was a round table discussion—composed of F. F. A. members, F. H. A. members, a teacher, and a mother on "Youth Marriages."

Our officers are President, Hilda Ray; Vice-President, Lynette Suggs; Treasurer, Clare Glenn; Reporter, Lula Lennon; Historian, Jean Ray Robbins; Parliamentarian, Mary Anna Russ; Song Leader, Ann Glenn; Club Mother, Mrs. Charles Averette; Sponsor, Mrs. Sam Cross.

We sold Christmas cards to pay our F. H. A. fees.

Hi! We're the Future Homemakers of SUMNER and we'd like to tell you about a few of our activities.

We chartered a bus and 24 members attended the District V Rally at Altamahaw-Ossipee on October 6. We found this rally to be at the top of the list with Dr. Shirvers speaking to us during the afternoon session.

During National F. H. A. week we initiated our new members and gave a prize for the most original costume.

For our project this year we have chosen baby-sitting at the local P. T. A. meetings. We F. H. A. members keep the small children in another room while the parents attend the P. T. A. program.

The High Point Chapter celebrated F. H. A. week with a number of special activities, one of the most successful of which was publicity day.

On Monday, publicity day was observed with Miss Barbara Morrison in charge. Two attractive bulletin boards were on display, one explaining the five purposes of the organization and the other explaining the eight parts of the emblem. A show case in the library also displayed past activities of the club, and a display in front of the home economics laboratory was in the form of a fence with peep-holes for the students to observe the different phases of the department. On that day, the members made red roses, the emblem of the club which were worn to distinguish the club members.

Hallsboro Chapter planned special events for each day of F. H. A. week which would emphasize work as individuals, work as a group, and work as a chapter.

The F. F. A. and F. H. A. organization of the Red Springs high school held a Christmas dance and party in the Philadelphia agriculture building.

After a delicious fried chicken dinner, square dancing in the workshop was enjoyed by the approximately 50 present.

One project the Dallas chapter has chosen is helping the Red Cross with their bloodmobile donors in Dallas.

"As Dallas has never met their quota, we really just made a canvas of the town. Each member took five cards to get people to sign. In addition to this, two F. H. A. girls did the typing for them and several other girls worked after school serving light refreshments.

"We feel that we not only helped ourselves, but the community as well."

The Black Mountain members are working hard to have a better chapter than ever. Thus far they have sixty members in the chapter and have spent a lot of time learning and putting into practice their responsibilities as F. H. A. members.

The members of the Emma Chapter raised money for the chapter by making pillows cases, stuffed toys, shoe bags, cakes, and aprons for a Christmas bazaar held at the P. T. A. meeting. The bazaar was a great success. Our newly elected officers are: Peggy Smith, president; Billie Lunsford, vice-president; Carolyn Bass, secretary; and Peggy Parker, treasurer.

An attractive scrapbook of the various activities is being made by the members and plans are also being made for the annual F. H. A. banquet.

Candidates For Honorary Degrees

The constitution of the North Carolina Association of the Future Homemakers of America provides for the awarding of four honorary state memberships each year. Any individual is eligible for this honor who has helped to advance the homemaking program or has rendered outstanding service to the Future Homemakers in this state. As you know, these honorary degrees are awarded each year at the State Convention. As yet, no candidates have been presented. Please send the name of the candidate you want honored with complete information concerning her qualifications. This information must be in the State office by March 1.

REMINDER

Those of you who are working for State Homemakers Degrees must have your materials properly prepared and signed in the state office by March 1.

PLAN NOW TO ATTEND STATE CONVENTION!

The Executive Council is very happy to announce that the State Convention will be held March 22 at Hugh Morson High School in Raleigh. Begin making plans now to send delegates. Many treats are in store for you. More details will follow later.

HISTORY IN THE MAKING

Some people think a historian is a person holding an office with nothing much to do. Actually, history is important for future reference, to create interest, to help publicize F. H. A., and to help evaluate activities of the organization. If you have any interesting or unusual articles or pictures of your chapter you would like to have in the State Scrapbook, please send them to me soon.

Your State Historian

Thelma Mayfield

Swannanoa, N. C.

I had rather be a "Could-Be"
If I couldn't be an "Are"
For a "Could-Be" is a "May-Be"
With a chance of reaching par.
I Had rather be a "Has-Been"
Than a "Might-Have-Been,"
by far—
For a "Might-Have-Been" has never been
And the "Has-Been" was once an "Are."



HOMEcoming QUEEN

Morganton F. H. A. Chapter sponsored Homecoming Dance. This picture was taken during the crowning of Queen. The girl is Katie Ross and Bobbie Fox, captain of football team, is crowning her. About 250 people attended the dance.

North Carolina Conference on the Family

A RELAXER USED AT THE
CONFERENCE

I'M A NUT

(Twinkle Twinkle Little Star)

1. I'm a little acorn brown, lying on the cold, cold ground. Everybody steps on me; that is why I'm cracked, you see.

Refrain

I'm a nut, tch, tch
I'm a nut, tch, tch
I'm a nut, tch, tch
I'm a nut, tch, tch

2. I called myself upon the phone, just to see if I was home. Asked myself about a date; at the latest, half past eight.

Refrain

3. I love myself, I think I'm grand; in the movies I hold my hand. Put my arm around my waist; if I get fresh I slap my face.

Refrain

By PATRICIA NEAL, Tri-High Chapter and THELMA MAYFIELD, Swannanoa Chapter

Many Future Homemakers who live around Asheville were fortunate to be able to attend the Fourth Annual North Carolina Conference on the Family, which was held November 15 and 16.

The highlight of the conference was an address on Thursday night by Dr. Evelyn Duvall. Her topic was—Learning to Live with Difference Begins in the Family. Pat says, "The main thoughts or points of advice Dr. Duvall gave were as follows:

(1) Everyone must learn to accept conflict and differences as a part of family life.

(2) One should attempt to understand differences by listening to the other person's point of view.

(3) Channel your own points effectively—keep your emotions under control.

(4) One must recognize the fact that everyone needs affection, love, and appreciation.

One of Dr. Duvall's other thoughts was that peace is made not only around council tables, at the U. N., and on the battle fields; but peace is made also by learning to live with differences and to blend them into harmony—harmony in hearts."

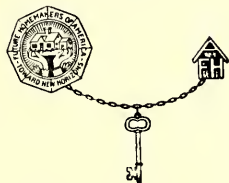
Our organization was officially represented by Thelma Mayfield, State Historian, who comments on the discussion groups held on Friday.

"The discussion groups of the Family Life Council meeting were the most interesting ones I have attended. Probably the reason for enjoying them so much was the fact that they were different. Usually we think of these groups discussing only such problems as dating, petting, and other boy-girl relationship problems; but these discussion groups were based on home and family life. We started off by discussing how to better understand our parents' viewpoints, the value of a family circle, and the art of feeling free to discuss our problems with members of our family. After coming to this conclusion—teen-agers should enter into a circle with their parents and discuss problems freely, we then discussed our dating problems. The topics for this were based on what to do on a date and should

you go steady. These problems were thought about by every person present before beginning the discussions. By doing this we better understood the problem and felt free to offer our suggestions.

"After meeting in groups we re-assembled in the auditorium to have our problems discussed together. This was led by Drs. Rueben Hill and Evelyn Duvall.

"These groups were very interesting and we're looking forward to the ones next year."



The F. H. A. Pin—Wear It Proudly!

The F. H. A. pin is not just another piece of jewelry. It is a symbol! One part of the pin is the emblem of the organization with a home upheld by two hands, the hands of a boy and girl, signifying that the homes of the future are in the hands of the youth. Rays of light which extend from the center point toward new goals for the future. The name of the organization, Future Homemakers of America, and the motto, "Toward New Horizons" are written along the border which is octagonal in shape symbolizing our eight purposes.

The emblem is attached to a guard with a small chain. The guard is shaped like a house with the letters F and H forming the sides and letter A forming the roof. An honorary member substitutes an H pin for the guard.

A girl who has earned a degree of achievement in her chapter may wear a symbol of that degree on the chain. The first degree, Junior Homemaker, is represented by a key; the second degree, Chapter Homemaker, by a scroll; and the third degree, State Homemaker, by a torch.

Active, associate, or graduate member of a chapter may wear the F. H. A. pin. The pin symbolizes her sincerity and love for the organization and its activities. In wearing the pin, she must place it over her heart on her dress or jacket and never on lapel or collar; neither should it be worn on a formal dress. It should always be worn with the guard to its left. No other pin should be attached to it because it shows membership to the F. H. A. organization.

This is your pin. Wear it proudly!

Future Homemakers of America

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We are the Future Homemakers of America
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope,
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking
Old and precious values.

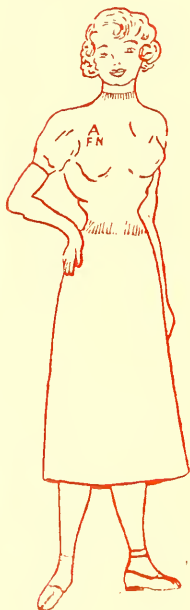
For we are the builders of homes,
Homes for America's future.
Homes where living will be the expression of everything
That is good and fair.
Homes where truth and love and security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

We are the Future Homemakers of America.
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope.



"The homes of tomorrow are in
the hands of the youth
of today"

CAROLINE SAYS



A leader is best
When people barely know he exists,
Not so good when people obey and ac-
claim him,
Worst when they despise him.
Of a good leader who talks little,
When his work is done, his aim fulfilled,
They will all say, "We did this ourselves."

Selected.



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These earned their State Homemaker Degrees: Beverly Adams, Sue Barhour, Nancy Bright, Betty Jane Brown, Sarah Carpenter, Doreen Carver, Joanne Chappell, Margaret Ann Craver, Peggy Anne Cudd, Peggy Ann Dail, Nina Davis, Mary Ann Garner, Ruth Ann Garner, Rebecca Gaylord, Mary Winifred Grady, Beverly Greene, Mary Ann Hampton, Thelma Harrelson, Rachel Hathcock, Alice Hodgins, Mebree Hubbard, Ruth Hyde, Bobbie Lou Jackson, Fay Jackson, Joan Kelly, Juanita Leonard, Carol Long, Joan Mauney, Barbara Jean McBryde, Betty Jean Melvin, Annie Ruth Parrish, Barbara Priddy, Greta Gale Simpson, Daphne Spear, Mary Katherine Sprouse, Clara Muriel Stroud, Edna Earle Stroud, Erma Lee Thompson, Barbara Tucker, Lionell Webster, Nancy Jean Wilson, and Kathryn Woodard.

Highlights of . . . The State F. H. A. Convention

If you attended the State F. H. A. Convention at the Hugh Morson High School March 22nd, you had the rare experience of traveling south of the border down Mexico way to learn something of the culture of our southern neighbors. According to Senor Roberto de la Rosa, Cultural Agent from Mexico, our convention speaker, all of their activities are centered around the home and the family members.

He won the heart of everyone present as he told of the many customs his people enjoy. He illustrated his program with music and songs from his native land. Those of us who heard him gained new respect for Mexico and their American way of life and decided we want to visit

our neighbors south of the border.

The day for the Convention was perfect and everyone was made welcome by the friendly greeting extended by Peggy Wood, president of Hugh Morson Chapter, and Mr. D. W. Sanders, principal. A spirit of reverence reigned as Windsor led the devotional.

Miss Eller, our State Adviser, presented plans for the National F. H. A. meeting and Kathryn Woodard, parliamentarian, conducted a campaign to elect voting delegates to the meeting.

After the entertaining talk by Senor Rosa, lunch was served in the cafeteria. Our many thanks go to Mrs. Madge Cooke, Mrs. Jolene Edwards and the Hugh Morson

Chapter for serving a delicious lunch to the group of hungry delegates!

Immediately following lunch the Future Homemakers were delighted to hear the words of greeting and blarney from Grover Boyd, president of our brother organization, the Future Farmers of America. Thank you Grover, for being with us!

State Honorary membership was conferred upon Mr. D. W. Sanders, principal of Hugh Morson School, for his enthusiastic interest and constant support to the local chapter, district and State organization.

After committee reports came the lovely candlelight installation cere-

mony in which the new officers and advisers were installed for next year.

Orchids to Pamela, our president, for the fine manner in which she presided over the meeting. Her poise and self-confidence made us truly proud of her. Thanks to the other officers for the contributions they made toward the success of the Convention.

At 3:30 came the tea at the Governor's Mansion with Governor and Mrs. W. Kerr Scott present to greet each Future Homemaker. Yes, this was the real climax, the grand finale, the end of a perfect day!

IMPORTANT !!!

Have you contributed to the expenses of the delegates going to the national meeting? Each member pays 10c and each adviser 25c. Send in your dimes and quarters NOW !!!

Senor Roberto de la Rosa, guest speaker at the State Convention.



*Have you been sending letters to Pen Pals?
Perhaps you will receive one similar to this*

Letter from Reiko Oi

Peggy Anne Wood, of the Hugh Morson Chapter, recently received a letter from Reiko Oi, daughter of one of the Japanese visitors who was in our State last November. The visitors stayed in Peggy's home in Raleigh and she had an opportunity to get acquainted with Reiko's mother. Peggy has consented to share the letter with you.

Dear Peggy:

I am a girl who lives in Japan and I thought I would like to correspond with a friend in America. I heard your name from my Mother, who returned from America on 5 January, 1952. Did you remember my Mother Hide Oi yet? She is taller than the other Japanese wom-

en. I am her daughter. I heard about your family, your school, yourself, your state from my Mother. At first, I will tell you about myself. My name is Reiko Oi, I am 21 years old. I have not a brother or sister and my father died when I was 13 years old. I am attending Niigata University, and now I sophomore (but I become junior soon) because I have had final examination, about three weeks ago, now I'm having Spring Vacation from 1st March to April 15. My major course is English and American Literature. One of the most interesting things to me, it is to write a letter to a friend in a foreign country, and I like to see movies. Especially I like American, England and French movies. I go a Cinema about four times a month. I'm also interested in reading very much. Lately I read two or three novels, one a modern novel, "The Bridge of San Luis Rey" by Thornton Wilder. It was quite difficult to me, because I don't know about real meaning religion. This novel is very religious, but I was charmed by it.

My hobbies are to play tennis and piano. I'm just simply mad about music. Especially I love "Symphony" by Beethoven and classical music. I cannot understand about jazz and boogie-woogie. But now in Japan, they are very fond of them.

After college I shall go abroad for the study of youth movement and Girl Scouts in America and other countries. When I come back, I hope to work hard to advance the position of women, and I expect to become a good leader of youth.

What does your country look like? How do you spend your holiday? I spend every Sunday for Girl Scout meeting. Tell me about your school, how the daily studies are carried on, how the schools operate. Please write as soon as you can.

Yours truly,
Reiko Oi.

COVER PICTURE

Our leaders of tomorrow: State F.H.A. president, Pamela Bigham, discussing Convention plans with State F.F.A. president, Grover Boyd.

BECOMING A LEADER

Experience is supposed to be the best teacher and the F.H.A. Organization is an excellent place to gain experience in being a good leader. Many chapters plan definite ways in which every member may have an opportunity to gain poise and self-confidence in appearing before a group.

The Anson-Union Federation, who believe you learn by doing, held a workshop last fall for the officers of the different chapters to plan for the year's activities.

All the presidents, vice-presidents, secretaries, and other officers met together in groups with student and teacher adviser leaders to study and plan better methods for performing the duties and responsibilities of the office to which each had been elected. In addition to the chapter advisers, several well qualified persons helped in some of the groups.

The vice-presidents learned better and more interesting program and project ideas. The new ritual and correct order of business was the theme of the presidents' group.

Secretaries learned what information should be included in the minutes and the correct way to record this so the business of her chapter may be more efficiently conducted. The treasurers considered the chapter budgets and felt having one would be a better way of planning chapter expenses. Approved methods of keeping accounts were studied.

Parliamentarians learned simple parliamentary procedure and gained a better understanding of the importance of their office. Keeping a record of the activities of the chapter was stressed with the historians. As a means of stimulating better records, the group suggested a contest among the chapters of the two counties for the best scrap book displayed at the spring rally. The editor of the local paper gave the reporters valuable pointers on the correct way to write newspaper and magazine articles telling of the chapter activities. The song leaders and pianists were helped by the music teacher of Union School. Each song leader felt she could do a better job after the workshop.

The girls planned another workshop in January to evaluate the work of the chapters during the first semester and to plan for the second half of the year. Two recommendations were made by the group:

to have the workshops a regular part of the F.H.A. work and to have the retiring officers meet with the incoming officers. Plans were also made to have fall and spring rallies to awaken interest and increase enthusiasm of the members.

After the meeting, Marshville, Benton Heights and Unionville Chapters served delicious refreshments to the group.

The Buncombe County Chapters held an officers' Training Workshop during National F.H.A. Week, using the theme "What is Leadership?" One of the highlights was the discussion of the qualities of leadership by Joe Seveir, President of the Lee Edwards High School Student Council. The 112 girls then divided into groups to discuss "What is my Responsibility for Leadership?" with the county officer of each division in charge of the discussion.

As a result of the workshop, the officers felt more security and self-confidence in leading their local chapters toward bigger and better activities.

The Rutherford County Officers included their Chapter Mothers in their study of "Qualities and Responsibilities of Good Leaders." This was a means of not only informing Chapter Mothers of their role in the F.H.A. but of letting the community know of the work of the organization.

County Rallies

County rallies enable all chapter members to participate in the activities and to gain insight of a program larger than their local chapters. These meetings are an excellent method of training future district and state officers who have to preside at the Fall and Spring Rallies.

The Stanly County Rally is an annual meeting held early in the fall, conducted in a manner similar to the State Convention, using the official ceremonies for each activity. This year one hundred and seventy members, Chapter Mothers, and guests were present. Highlighting the morning session was a fashion review conducted by the Albemarle Chapter displaying clothes from local stores and showing the latest in fall fashions for the high school student. A safety movie, "The Late Date," was shown to the group, followed by discussion led by two of the Endy girls. A humorous skit, depicting the behavior of the

county homemaking teachers was presented, after which the members joined in group singing led by Clara Burris of Endy. During the afternoon session a talent show was presented by the county song leader candidates.

Cleveland County high schools used "Family Relationships" as the general theme of their rally. Mrs. Roland Leath of Shelby was the guest speaker at the meeting, pointing out the origin, purpose, and goals of the family and citing dangers common to all families.

The afternoon session included talent numbers followed by a film on family relationships.

Durham-Orange County Chapters met for a picnic and to plan for the year's activities. After recreation led by the Durham city recreation director, a business meeting was conducted during which each person submitted program suggestions. This gave the chapters an insight into different activities and ideas for the year's work. Other problems which were discussed were how to get members to attend the meetings, project activities, methods of interpreting the program, and ways of raising money. It was voted to have an annual get-together and Janice Kesterson was elected chairman of the group.

Everyone then enjoyed eating the delicious picnic supper. Each person felt this was a very worthwhile meeting.

The annual officers' banquet of the Surry-Yadkin Federation was held in the Blue Ridge Hotel, Mt. Airy. Approximately one hundred officers, advisors, and Chapter Mothers attended. The delicious food and the entertaining program were enjoyed.

The highlight of the evening was the impressive installation of the new officers.

"How To Help the Child from Six to Ten Years of Age," was the theme of the third Wayne County Rally. The discussion, which was led by Reverend H. L. Harrell, dealt with answering a child's questions on God, Where Heaven Is, and other religious subjects.

These discussion groups continue from one meeting to the next, choosing a higher age group each time. One hundred and seventy-five girls attended the rally.

Local Chapters

The best experience, however, comes from working together in

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J. H. A.

IS WHAT YOU MAKE IT

*... so why not take this opportunity
to gain experience in a worth-while
vocation which may be a stepping stone
to a career in home economics.*



We Future Homemakers think that helping to make happy homes, now and in the future, is the most important thing that youth can do for democracy. Our chapter programs and projects are planned to give us training in the wonderful job of homemaking. Many of these activities may also be the first step of the ladder for the climb to a successful career.

The Future Homemakers of Shelby "answered" an editorial in the local paper recommending that the high schools organize a course to qualify baby-sitters. The organized classes which followed consisted of discussion on understanding the child, responsibility of a baby-sitter, reading or story-telling, play activities, and First Aid and accident prevention. The baby-sitters also learned their responsibilities, such as dependability, courtesy, interest in welfare of children, neatness, willingness to learn and promptness. Parents are now able to engage the serv-

ices of dependable, trained and certified baby-sitters, most of whom are anxious to earn money for clothes, vacations or further study.

The Lee Edwards members were hostesses for the All-Electric Cooking School sponsored by the Asheville Citizen Times Company and merchants of the city and conducted by the National Live Stock and Meat Board. Homemaking students and their teachers from more than 100 high schools in Western Counties were extended special invitations.

Taylorsville Chapter has gone all out for the National Project of Families Together, an outgrowth of an interesting and inspiring Family Relationships unit in the homemaking classes. These lessons began for the second year girls with the making of a list of "Pet Peeves of Teen-agers" or "What I Don't Like About Parents." As the girls added to the list from day to day, Mrs. Young, teacher-adviser, made a similar list of "Peeves of Parents" which she secured from the girls' parents during her visits. The first year girls began with a check sheet for personal improvement. Informal discussions, skits, and use of a question-box gave each girl a chance to take part in this better family relationship study. At one chapter meeting one class presented a skit, "Granny Comes to Stay."

The picture at the left shows Hendersonville Chapter devoting part of a clothing unit to making card table covers for the veterans' hospital, Moore General, in Oteen, North Carolina.

Boys Are a Wonderful Addition!

The East Mecklenburg Chapter has four male members. These boys—Jimmie Brewer, John Garland, Lamar Jenkins, and Ronald Griffin—are members of an all-boy homemaking class. They have made many interesting and helpful contributions, such as committee, social, and program work. Ronnie and Jimmie presented East Mecklenburg's candidate for state officer and helped with the District Rally.

Our programs this year are based on boy-and-girl relationship. One of these programs was presented as a panel discussion on which the following members served: John Garland, Josephine Butler, Jimmie Brewer, Lela Morris, and Rev. Harold Simpson, pastor of a local church.

Members of the Shelby Chapter learning how to bathe a baby.



Joan Kelly shares with
you her thrilling trip to the

Florida State Fair

Thursday morning at eight o'clock, February 8, there no more excited girl in North Carolina than I. My bags were all packed and I was on my way to Fayetteville, where I was to board the train to leave for Tampa, Florida, as a guest of the Atlantic Coast Line. At Fayetteville I joined Curtis Dowd, the Future Farmer Delegate from North Carolina. Mr. A. R. Howard, Mr. J. L. Sistar, Mr. V. W. Lewis, their wives, and the delegates from Virginia were already aboard. The morning was spent getting acquainted with each other. We met the brother of Senator Mayfield of South Carolina. He was coming home from New York, where he had been working on some tax laws. The delegates from South Carolina joined us at Charleston and Kingstree. The large plantations that we could see from the train windows were beautiful. We also saw the Dante Cooper Dam. We talked and played cards until we reached Jacksonville, Florida. Here the representatives from Georgia, Alabama, and Florida and Mr. and Mrs. O'Kelly, the General Agriculture and Live Stock Teacher and his wife joined us. We were greeted by Mr. S. D. Hurst, Executive Vice-President, Mr. Julian Fields, Traffic Vice-President, and Mr. L. S. Jeffers, Operation Vice-President of the Atlantic Coast Line.

We arrived in Tampa, Florida about seven o'clock on Friday morning. We went immediately to the Hillsboro Hotel, where we stayed while there. We ate breakfast at the Morrison's Cafeteria, which amused me a lot for it had pictures of Tampa painted on the walls. After breakfast we went to the fair, where we walked through and saw all the exhibits in general. Then at eleven o'clock we went back to the hotel, where Miss Champion, and Miss Lucy Lang, State F.H.A. Advisers, and Carolyn Black, State President, met us and took us to the Neptune Room, where they served us a delicious dinner: As place cards they had beautiful corsages.

After lunch we went back to the hotel, where the Chamber of Commerce had enough cars to take us on a tour. The first stop was the dock. There a banana boat was being unloaded that had just arrived from

Central America. We watched this process with great amazement. We were told that it was the largest banana port and the second largest shrimp port in the United States. The next stop was the Hava-Tampa Cigar Company, where we watched the cigars being made. Next we saw what the outskirts of Tampa looked like. We went out to the Brandon School, one of the consolidated schools in the county, and visited the agriculture building and classroom. We met the teachers and some students there. They gave us as a souvenir, a box of strawberries. Then we went to Ruskin, to visit the Dickman Farm. The farm contained around fifty thousand acres. They raise cattle and vegetables and have their own packing plant. We went through their plant and saw the complete process of how the food was being prepared and packed. They also make their own cellophane bags, and some of the machinery that they use there in the plant.

Friday night we went to Ybor City, the Spanish part of Tampa, and were entertained at a banquet in the famous Columbia Restaurant. The Spanish food was very different and delicious.

Saturday morning we had breakfast at the Hillsboro Hotel dining room, and afterwards went to the fair. We took notes and special notice of some of the booths.

The F.H.A. booth had on the right, the creed, and on the left, the purposes. These was on red paper. On the inside of this was white paper, which had the facts and activities. The emblem was in the center. The place where the house was supposed to be was a film made of the different activities. In the same building was every kind of furniture and home appliance that could be used in the home.

The Hillsboro County display was very attractive. It consisted of a landscape of Florida as the background. In the center was a small spring with a small strawberry patch out front. It looked tempting to reach down and pick the berries. They had various kinds of citrus

fruits and canned fruits that came from that county. They had flowers in the background that were grown in that county. There was one cabbage there that weighed about ten pounds. All the displays of the different counties were very attractive, and they all told the story of that county. So if you really stopped to study them you would have a good knowledge of the agricultural products of Florida.

The best commercial display was the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company. As a background in the center back was a large picture of one of its trains. On the right were vegetable fields and on the left were orange groves and trees, by which the Atlantic Coast Line ran. It had double tracks, one a passenger train, the other a freight train. They had little electric trains running on these tracks.

The horticulture exhibits were simply out of this world. There were some of the most beautiful flowers there that I have ever seen. Some of the tropical plants and blossoms were so beautiful that you would have to pinch yourself to realize you weren't in South America.

The Mantee County display was very unusual. They had the different fruits of that county arranged in a table setting, which was very attractive. They did that because most of the fruits can be eaten for breakfast.

The boys and girls were all very wonderful and it seemed as if we had known each other for a long time. The most unpleasant thing of the trip was parting, for in that short time we had grown very fond of each other. You can be sure we had everyone's address before we left.

The chaperones were all so very wonderful and most helpful. I don't think it would have been possible to have learned so much if it had not been for them.

I could never put down in words what the trip meant to me. The appreciation of the experiences I gained, the things I saw, I can never express. I can't think of any better thing that the ACL could do to help develop the Future Homemakers and Future Farmers of America.

I want to say thank you again to the Atlantic Coast Line and its assistants for such a wonderful trip.



National Delegates Meeting

Stop! Look! Listen! What's coming? Important national delegates meeting—for summertime is F.H.A. time in Green Lake, Wisconsin from July 14-17. Who's going? Carolyn Abernathy, state president; Betty Lou Graham, secretary; Peggy Dunn, historian; Nancy Bright, national officer; your State Adviser, and a teacher adviser.

Many problems will be discussed and long-range plans made. F.H.A. finances will come up—to raise or not to raise the dues being the question. The program of work and projects for the coming year will be set, too, from suggestions you have sent in.

Some goals have been planned for the meeting. One is to learn how to make group decisions and another is to find ways of making local chapters feel closer to the national organization.

These delegates are representing **Y O U**. Success of the meeting depends on how well you instruct your delegates on how to make these decisions. Send suggestions and instructions to your state adviser, who will work with the delegates. This is **Your meeting. Act Now!**

Little did Margaret Harper dream when she was a Future Homemaker in the Littleton Chapter that she would ever be secretary to the State Adviser. She is seen here making plans with Miss Eller for the May issue of the "Newsletter."



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individual chapters. Here you can speak freely and have an opportunity to see how effective your ideas and suggestions are.

Being an active member in your local chapter gives you an opportunity to work with other F.H.A. members and learn that they also have good ideas and suggestions for making your chapter run smoothly. Every member can make a contribution sometimes during the year to a portion of the intricate work of F.H.A. Your duty as a member and a future leader of your community is to see that every other member feels a part of the activities and can share the things you are learning. If you can make every member glad she joined the F.H.A.—then I say you are becoming a leader.

No More . . .

Golden Rule Days

Soon North Carolina F.H.A.'ers will be saying "No more golden rule days, at least not for a while. School's out, no more assignments, no more rushing around to get there before the bell rings!"

But, have you realized that a

whole summer stretches out before you? Summer vacation is a good time to get things done. How about earmarking some of its hours for fun and some for profit.

Would your chapter profit by having the new president appoint the committee chairmen so that they can spend some of their hours working on topics for chapter programs, money making ideas, plans for newspaper and school publicity, plans for bang-up parties and chapter projects? You might form community groups to carry on some of these activities.

Your pre-school planning might include a get-acquainted picnic or party for next year's freshmen, making a sample copy of next year's chapter yearbook or a training workshop for new chapter officers and committee chairman.

Perhaps you'd like to do some things to improve your homemaking department, if your advisor and principal approve, now that you will have more time and no lessons to do.

For fun try sponsoring a one-day trip to a nearby place of interest. Include your members, past members and friends of your chapter. Harness your hobby you've collected, traded, begged and created for years. Why not make some decorative use of your hobby this summer?

Maybe you will be one of the lucky "misses" who can go to a summer camp this summer, or go on a motor trip with your family or friends.

Examine the possibilities for such summer outings as hiking trips, ball games, swimming parties, slumber parties, a waffle breakfast or a camping trip.

Some profitable experiences which you might share at home are canning or freezing foods, "baby sitting," growing and arranging flowers, refinishing furniture, renovating, repairing and making garments, and catching up on all the latest "best-sellers."

You might even collect a few coins if you venture on a job hunt. Vacation gives you a chance to try out various jobs for size, to learn now where you will fit best in later years.

Use these ideas for thinking up other and better ways for using your spare moments.

May you have a happy summer vacation !!!

—From the *Alabama Newsletter*.

Chapter Chatter

To foster international goodwill, one of our purposes, the **Morehead City** Chapter had as their guests at the January meeting Mr. and Mrs. John Berberich. Mrs. Berberich, born of Japanese parents in Denver, Colorado, studied at the University of Colorado and is now working at Cherry Point. She and Mr. Berberich, who is in the Marine Corps Reserves, have been living in Morehead City for 18 months.

Mrs. Berberich told the group something of Japan, the customs of the people there and in the Japanese colony in and around Denver. The members were especially interested in the language and the lack of words to express love and the romantic side of life. Marriage, until the occupation of U. S. forces in Japan, was usually arranged by parents, and surprisingly, there were very few divorces.

The members entertained their Mothers at a buffet supper in the homemaking department. The supper consisted of meat loaf, stuffed potatoes, butter beans, tossed salad, rolls, cream puffs, coffee and soft drinks. The table was covered with a white cloth and centered with yellow daffodils and yellow candles. The motifs in the room and on the tables were silver moons and blue stars.

After supper Sue Conner and Audrey Mitchell led in a program of songs and stunts. Seventy-five enjoyed the evening.

The **Morganton** Future Homemakers had their annual Mother-Daughter Banquet on Monday night, February 18th. The banquet was held in the high school cafeteria with about 65 mothers and daughters present. The theme was Valentine and placed over the guest table was a big heart with "Mother, I love you."

Katherine Booth, the president, presided as toast-mistress. Catherine Newton gave the invocation and then Katherine had the welcome. The toast to the mothers was given by Mary Lee Copeland and the response by Mrs. Adkins. Music was by Maude Morrison, the F.H.A. song leader, and Carolyn Cannon.

The toast to the chapter mothers was given by Maxine Lybrand and the response given by Mrs. Cannon, due to the absence of Mrs. Mabe.

The girls who received degrees of achievement were Betty Sue Williams, Barbara Johnson, Barbara Berry, Margaret Kincaid, Katherine Booth, Maude Morrison, and Minnie Ruth Adkins.

The entertainment was a tap dance by Phyllis Mitchem, a ballet by Nancy Honeycutt and songs by Maude and Carolyn. The banquet was ended by everyone standing and repeating the F.H.A. creed.

Isabelle Mull, the vice-president, presented Katherine Booth with a present from the chapter as a token for her good work as president of the chapter this year.

Those serving were Dottie Whisnant, Margaret Waldrop, Betty Keller and Anna Sloan.

The **Ellerbe** Chapters of the Future Homemakers and Future Farmers of America held their annual Mother-

Daughter, Father-Son banquet, February 13, in the school cafeteria. The valentine motif was observed with colors of red and white.

Rev. W. J. Neese said grace followed by the welcome by Ann B. Ashbill. Mr. W. H. Rummage responded. Harris Rummage gave a toast to the parents.

Lovely center pieces were made of red paper around a doily with a candy sucker in the center. Red ribbon connected the center piece to the place cards which were heart-shaped and contained the program.

A delicious meal of fried chicken, creamed potatoes, gravy, green beans, cranberry salad, celery and carrot sticks, rolls, hot coffee, tomato juice, ice cream and cake, was served to the ninety-six people present.

Reba McCall introduced the guest speaker, Rev. W. J. Neese. He gave a very helpful talk concerning our homes and our duties as farmers and homemakers to improve our homes. He encouraged the boys to stick with the farm and the homemakers to continue preparing themselves. "Nothing is more wonderful than being a homemaker," he said. "Nothing is better than the green pastures." He described the types of homes we all should have. We should, of course, have love and understanding, wholesome recreation, and religion, "the old family altar."

The banquet closed with the group singing, "Let Me Call You Sweetheart."

The **Middlesex** Chapters of F.H.A. and F.F.A. met jointly last month with both chapters contributing to the program and entertainment. The girls explained the purposes of F.H.A., our projects, and activities. Everyone was especially interested in our camp life at White Lake. The entertainment was enjoyed by all. Two girls gave a tap dance, two boys played French harps, and one boy played the guitar.

Special guests present were Professor Scarborough, agriculture professor at State College, and two student teachers from State College. Delicious refreshments were served to the group.

The eighty members of the **Benvenue** Chapter have participated in various activities this year. Thirteen members attended the District Rally at Raleigh. The Benvenue Chapter had a float in the Harvest Festival parade from which the chapter received five dollars.

When National F.H.A. Week rolled around we really began working. During this week we put a display on F.H.A. in a local store window. The members made favors and sang to the aged people at the Nash County Home. F.H.A. Week was recognized at church and a quartet sang a hymn. The F.H.A. Birthday was celebrated by having six cakes baked for the occasion. In the Home Economics room the table was decorated and six candles were lighted.

As Christmas projects, we played Santa Claus to a needy family and gave a program to the aged people at the County Home. For funds we sold Christmas cards and had cake sales. Some of the members went on a "hobo" day for more funds.

After the first semester, seven girls for the first time in the Benvenue Chapter, received Junior Homemaker Designs. A fashion show was conducted by F.H.A. members for a Woman's Club in Rocky Mount. We have taken a

corner in our Home Economics room and fixed a bulletin board on F.H.A. and on the table we have our scrapbook and magazines, so we now have a F.H.A. corner.

The **Mebane** Chapter found the money-making suggestions in the F.H.A. magazine very helpful. We used the idea of selling cards which profited us a lot.

One of our own ideas for raising money was a pajama party. Each member invited prospective members and paid an admission. This way we worked to seek new members as well as raising money.

Our next project was that of making a quilt. Each member was responsible for making one square. We invited our mothers to help with the project and to teach us how to quilt. The Mebane Kiwanis sold our quilt for us at an auction sale.

We all enjoyed an open house party where we sold food, flowers and clothes.

We found all of these projects very successful.

Members of the **Lee Woodard** Chapter of the Future Homemakers of America practiced "Tea Etiquette" on Friday afternoon, February 29th, when they entertained the boys and girls of the basketball squad and the school faculty. The decorations and preparation of the refreshments were supervised by members of the third year class as a part of the unit, "Special Problems in Food."

Rockingham Chapter of 119 strong has engaged in numerous projects during the year. Some of the most interesting were: sending presents overseas for the World Christmas Festival. Each day some member receives a letter from a friend in Germany, Denmark, Norway, etc. We received special notice of second place at our home-coming game, when we sponsored a float. A horse and buggy were obtained. Gracie Allen was the bride and Eloise Martin, the groom.

In January we made \$121.26 by sponsoring a picture, "The Second Chorus." This money is being used to pay 10 cents per member to send our delegate to Green Lake, Wisconsin, also to put our picture in the annual and to entertain various groups.

Recently, the three first year classes entertained three sections of the 8th grade. The refreshments consisted of hot dogs, Pepsi-colas, and cup cakes made by the members. The napkins carried out the St. Patrick idea. The flowers brought by the girls were beautiful.

March 20th, the second year girls entertained the 112 seniors, faculty and F.H.A. members at an informal tea. The F.H.A. officers who received were dressed formally, while the senior officers formed the receiving line. The center of interest was the dining room table, with a lovely arrangement of green and white flowers. Lime punch and cookies were served. The cookies were shaped like shamrocks, with green sugar, also chocolate hats decorated with shamrocks. Classical music was played softly during the afternoon.

Our seven delegates really enjoyed the State Convention this year. They liked the talk made by the Mexican and the tea at the Governor's Mansion, also.

We are eagerly looking forward to our fashion show in April and later on camp at White Lake.

January 28th was an important date on the calendar of the F.H.A. Chapter

of **Griffith** School in Winston-Salem. This was the day to elect second semester officers. Those elected were: President, Betty Ball; Vice-President, Willie Sue Welborn; Secretary, Carole Beckel; and Treasurer, Ethel Davis.

Under the leadership of our officers and faculty sponsor, Miss Dorla Evans, we are trying to sell several cases of furniture polish. The results of this sale will be used to buy silverware for our new Home Economics lab.

The **Selma** chapter, to round out their Christmas, adopted a needy family. The girls contributed food, which was fruit, nuts, and canned goods; clothes, which were blouses, skirts, sweaters, and cotton dresses; and toys for each of the children. A doll was carried for each of the girls to be put away until Christmas morning.

On Thursday before Christmas they carried a tree to the house and decorated it. They children were filled with excitement as they kept saying, "How pretty it is, how pretty it is."

The family consisted of two girls, one boy, and the parents. One of the girls is in the first grade and the other girl is in the third. The small boy doesn't go to school.

They brightened up the patients in the Johnson County Memorial Hospital on St. Patrick's day. They made corn cob pipes and put Bible verses in each, which was given to each patient on a green shamrock made of paper.

Soon plans will be made for the Mother-Daughter banquet which will be in April.

The F.F.A. chapter entertained them at a party on March 14. This is an annual affair which each person anxiously looks forward to.

The **Bladenboro** chapter got off to a good start with the election of nine good officers and the enrolling of 110 members.

Buzz! Buzz! Yep, that is it! We planned each program by the six-six method which gives the girls a better chance to have programs they like.

Bands were playing, clowns were prancing and crowds were cheering as our nine attractive officers rode by on a beautiful float in the Bladen County Farmer's Day parade.

Have you ever been knocking on doors. The door opened. . . "Lady, would you like to give us some shrubbery cuttings to use around the Home Economics cottage?" You should have seen our results, enough shrubbery to landscape the entire cottage grounds.

Broke in September; rich in December. We are the proud owners of \$277.37 brought to us by cheerful spirits and lots of good hard work. We raised the money by selling magazines, Christmas cards, gift wrappings and tyings, all-occasion cards, vanilla flavoring, and by sponsoring a Harvest Day sale. We bought a new electric sewing machine and we plan to use the remainder for cottage improvements.

Sharing together the heartbreak of one of our girls whose home was destroyed by fire and sharing together the heartache of foreign countries, our chapter went all out and made some wonderful contributions to two charity boxes.

Circle left, circle right as the F.H.A. girls and their dates enjoyed a square dance at their annual F.H.A. party held in the Bladenboro Club house. What

else? A banana-eating contest, Folk dancing, and last but not least the wonderful works of our refreshment committee.

Our biggest event of the year was the crowning of our F.H.A. Queen during National F.H.A. Week. The Queen was Betty Jean Adams and she was attended by two maids of honor, eight attendants, and eighteen candle holders. All the girls participating in the coronation ceremony were selected on a point basis.

The gavel sounded and quietness reigned. The meeting came to order. Our officers presented a program on parliamentary procedure to the Bladen-Columbus Home Economics teachers.

Guess what the Rotary Club wanted us to do? They asked us to give a program. All heads got together and a panel discussion on F.H.A. work was presented. We're conceited I know, but we really think they liked it.

Congratulations, girls! Three of our girls received F.H.A. jackets in our January meeting and four members were given F.H.A. pins. A great big handshake for Margueta Billingsley and Patsy Stephens, who received their Junior Homemakers Degree. What is that applause for? Gee, Betty Adams, Betty Jean Gunter, Irene Anderson, Ada Beth Hickman, and Annie Ruth Prevate just received their chapter Homemaker Degree.

The Bladenboro Chapter looks back proudly on '51, but looks anxiously toward '52.

Hear ye! Hear ye! Fruit cake sale at the Weldon Home Economics Department. This has been our slogan since the fall of 1950 when we first started taking orders for fruit cakes. Our adviser asked us if we thought we could make any money on this project. We said we were willing to try anything once, and all of us were eager to do so.

We began taking orders early in November and sold approximately 150 pounds by the middle of December. We were so pleased that we tried again this year and again sold about 200 pounds. We plan to make this an annual affair because it brings in the money and helps us get so many of the things that we need for our department.

The **Deep Run** Chapter has emphasized wholesome recreation and worthy home membership in their activities this year. In December their mothers were honored at a reception which was followed by a dance to which the F.F.A. boys were invited. Everyone had a wonderful time joining in the fun.

There was dancing for the **Beaufort** chapter when they sponsored a Valentine dance at the Scout hut after the basketball game with Smyrna. Admission was 25 cents and dancing was from 10 until 11:30.

Pretty Peggy Smith, ninth grade student of **Saratoga** High School, was crowned F.H.A. Queen of Hearts at a Valentine party held in the beautifully decorated home economics cottage on February 14, 1952. Queen Peggy won the title with 930 votes over three other lovely contestants, Ann Webb, Mavis Thigpen, and Rosa Lee Harrell.

Aside from the impressive ceremony of crowning the queen by the F.H.A. president, Dorothy Saunders, several entertaining games were played such as mak-

ATTENTION MEMBERS ! ! !

We want to apologize ! ! ! A mistake was made in the camp bulletin. The statement should read: Only active F.H.A. members who were affiliated before January 15, 1952, are eligible to attend camp.

ing a newspaper dress for their male partners and also remodeling their faces by putting nylon stockings over them.

Refreshments consisting of drinks, sandwiches, cookies and nuts were served to complete the evening.

Henderson F.H.A. members, and teachers, along with special guests, Mr. and Mrs. Payne and Dr. and Mrs. Gregg, were royally entertained at a banquet given by the Future Homemakers of America, Thursday, January 10, in the Home Economics Department.

Decorations of red and white with a center piece of a large red candle surrounded by red and white carnations lent a festive note to the occasion.

Turkey and all the trimmings, prepared by F.H.A. members, made up the menu for the banquet.

Following the meal the chapter father and mother, Dr. and Mrs. Gregg, were recognized and Mr. Gregg announced that he would again give the award to the girl making the most progress in Home Economics during the year.

Mr. Payne spoke to the group giving advice, both serious and humorous to F.H.A. members on what to keep in mind when choosing a life's partner.

The banquet was directed by Mrs. Cobb, Home Economics teacher.

ANNUAL REPORT DUE

You have probably found the mimeographed sheet enclosed with your Newsletter. This annual report should be filled out immediately and sent back to the State Office so that we can make North Carolina one of the most active associations by sending in a glowing report showing activities of individual chapters.

Put on your thinking caps and go to work ! ! !

MISSING ! ! !

By this time you should have noticed a mimeographed sheet attached to your camp bulletin marked, "Program of Work." If you have been reading your "Teen Times" you know that this blank sheet is to be filled in with suggestions for next year's program of work. Please send this in with your annual report so that it can be sent to the national office.

Don't forget Camp
at White Lake
Get your reservations in early!



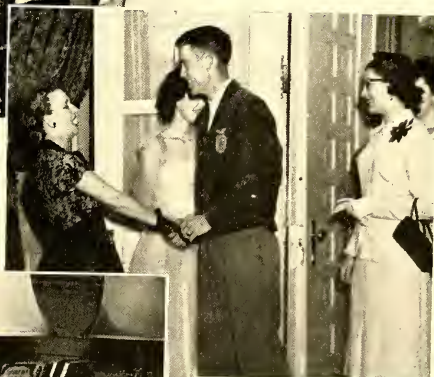
Whew! We made it!



Where did everyone come from?



Destination sighted



A Lone Wolf



I shook hands with Governor and Mrs. Scott!

Getting pretty before the guests arrived

Peggy Ann Wood, the young lady responsible for the beautiful background music at the tea.

Future Homemakers of America

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We are the Future Homemakers of America
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope,
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking
Old and precious values.

For we are the builders of homes,
Homes for America's future.
Homes where living will be the expression of everything
That is good and fair.
Homes where truth and love and security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

We are the Future Homemakers of America.
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope.



"The homes of tomorrow are in
the hands of the youth
of today"

CAROLINE SAYS



The good ole summertime with no classes to meet or homework to prepare will soon be here. Combine work and play with your family to make this the best vacation ever. Plan a picnic or a week-end outing with the entire family; or resolve to give Mother more free time by washing the dishes after meals or cooking one meal daily. Spend time playing with the younger children or family reading in the evenings. You will be amazed and thrilled to find what good sports Mom and Dad are! Try it this summer.



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Dear F.H.A. Members—Greetings:

At this, the beginning of a new year, our hopes and aspirations for the coming year should be bright with success. Last year North Carolina had 17,694 members. We are proud of our steady growth in the short time F.H.A. has existed. Although we are a young organization, our activities have been worthwhile and numerous. Our concern is for all the girls enrolled in homemaking classes who are missing these wonderful opportunities. As F.H.A. members, let us strive to reach new horizons in our organization this year.

Cordially,

CAROLYN ABERNATHY, *President*

North Carolina Association of Future Homemakers of America

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Have You Started **WORKING** on National Projects?

You should have no difficulty in launching the national projects this year because they are the same ones you worked on last year. Now is the time to begin making plans for the projects your chapter will participate in this year.

National F.H.A. Week

Probably the project which is most important and needs very careful planning is *National F.H.A. Week*, November 2-8. At this time you have an opportunity to interpret to your school, community, and state the importance and significance of our Future Homemakers of America organization.

Oxford Chapter began observing National F.H.A. Week by giving each teacher a rose and a note explaining the purpose of the rose. This was really the talk of the school—boys and girls asking, "Why the rose?" The teachers said it was the nicest gesture ever displayed at school. Tuesday was initiation of new members which was very hilarious and successful. Wednesday, the Projects' Chairman and her committee had written a radio script in which the officers participated, telling about F.H.A. and the observance of F.H.A. week. Thursday, during lunch, the F.H.A. members brought their plates to the home-making department and had a luncheon honoring the new members. After lunch they worked on favors to take to the hospital. Friday found the girls taking the favors to the hospital to put on patients' trays. The week was climaxed by a square dance in the gym.

Taylorsville Chapter included a money-raising campaign in their week's activities. Each girl was given a number of plastic bowl covers to sell.

Candor Chapter asked each teacher to list jobs which she needed done in her room to make it more attractive and pleasant. The chapter members divided themselves into committees to wash windows, wood-work and rearrange book shelves. After finishing individual requests, they cleaned the interior of the buildings and rest rooms. They made posters asking for co-operation in keeping the school clean. They also drew names during the week and did a special favor for the person whose name was drawn.

Another suggestion for celebrating F.H.A. Week: Sunday—Church day; Monday—Publicity day; Tuesday—Community day; Wednesday—School day; Thursday—Family day; Friday—Good deed day; Saturday—Fun and Finance day.

Families Together

Families Together is an equally important project because it signifies many of the purposes of our organization.

Spencer Chapter emphasized this project by sponsoring a "Do a Good Deed Week" in which each girl was to do something nice for each member of her family. The reports made at a meeting were excellent, showing that by doing and sharing we can contribute to a happier family life.

The *Cleveland* Rally with its theme "Family Members Today—Family Molders Tomorrow" was an excellent way to emphasize this goal. Later each chapter had speakers and follow-up discussions which served to help the girls carry these suggestions into their own homes and plan for the future.

Many activities can be planned around this project. If you haven't already done so, why not plan a "Daddy Date Night" or have a special night each week to be at home with all the family, or plan something special for your mother.

Other ideas, invite your parents to a chapter meeting and have recreation for all ages afterwards.

Lets plan now to carry out this project and learn now to be better family members so that our lives and those of our families will be better tomorrow.

International Projects

There are several international projects from which you may choose one or more for your chapter.

CELEBRATION OF U. N. DAY, OCTOBER 24

There is a drive this year to get every school to celebrate U. N. Day in some way. The purpose of this project is to create interest for further study of the U. N. and its function. For a suggested list of ways to observe U. N. Day, see your National projects bulletin and *Teen Times*, September, 1952.

WORLD CHRISTMAS AND CHAMKAH FESTIVAL

You will want to begin work on this one at once, because gifts must arrive at the warehouse of World Friendship Among Children not later than November 1, in order to reach other children across the seas before Christmas. The purpose of this project is to help other, less fortunate, people enjoy Christmas. Gifts sent through this project are not relief but tokens of friendship. This is one excellent way to make our neighbors across the sea a little closer to us. For detailed instructions, see your mimeographed

The Richland girls made a United Nations Flag which was displayed in the hall where everyone could see it on October 24. Posters were made telling about the United Nations Day and how the Richland girls were to observe the day.



bulletin on national projects and your special fall issue 1952 of *Teen-Times*.

UNESCO GIFT COUPON PLAN

This is a way chapters can help other schools, teachers, and students in war-torn parts of the world get badly needed books, audio-visual aids, equipment, and scientific materials. There are five specific projects we have been asked to choose.

Lefkohori, Greece — a village which needs first aid equipment.

Middle East—equipment for sewing centers for Arab refugee girls.

Boys' Town, Manila, Philippines —elementary and advanced dictionaries.

Bombay, India—Society for Rehabilitation of crippled children —needs occupational therapy equipment.

Libya, North Africa — primary schools need cooking and sewing equipment.

How can your chapter participate? Select a country you wish to help from the above list. Since Unesco gift stamps are put in units of \$10, decide how much you will raise, or if you will work with neighboring chapters on sending gift stamps. These stamps are secured from the National F.H.A. office and come in books of 40 stamps, which sell for 25 cents apiece, amounting to \$10. Send the money you have collected to the National office, who will send you your gift coupon and all instructions for sending these to your selected project. You send the coupon directly to the school or group you have chosen.

PEN PALS ABROAD

Last year 367 chapters in North Carolina participated in this project. The chapters reported that as a result they understood many of the existing conditions in other countries, and have received a better understanding of the customs, their schools, and way of life. You may secure addresses from the National F.H.A. office if you wish to correspond with any of the following countries: England, Japan, Germany, India, Austria, Holland, Ecuador, Formosa. For other names see your February 1952 Newsletter.

ADOPTION OF HOMEMAKING CLASSES

No new classes are being adopted at the present time, but those which have already been adopted should be kept if possible. Corresponding with them is good.

Top Prize Won by

FUTURE HOMEMAKER

By BETTY RAND, Garner

I guess Daddy really deserves credit for the phone call I got on June 26, 1952. He was the one who insisted that his girls take "home ec." and that's how I learned to sew. This knowledge in turn opened up doors to undreamed of surprises. The phone call on that memorable day was from New York. The fashion co-ordinator from *McCall's* Pattern Corporation was calling to say that I'd won first prize in the junior division of the *McCall's* Easter Parade Fashion Contest!!! I could hardly believe my ears. It was true that I'd had wild dreams of maybe an honorable mention when I entered the contest in April—but first prize!! I certainly blessed the day when my adviser, Mrs. LaVerne Falls, told us about the opportunity that *McCall's* was giving to the home sewers of the nation to display how well they could select and combine styles, fabrics, and accessories. In reality, they knew nothing of how well we sewed other than judging from pictures. They were more concerned with how well we applied our sewing knowledge together with our fashion knowledge to make a becoming outfit. The ensemble which I chose was made from a slate blue celanese tweed-textured suiting. It consisted of a sleeveless sheath dress with a high rounded neck and

a matching flared bolero jacket, which I trimmed with white linen collar and cuffs. I made the costume versatile by making extra jackets of white, navy, and pink. I wore navy calf shoes, white gloves, and a white straw hat and carried a navy calf bag.

The first prize was a trip for two to Hollywood or New York for a week. I chose Hollywood, but as it turned out I got three trips to New York. One came when *McCall's* asked me to be their guest for three days so they could meet me and I could get some ideas of how patterns are born and become acquainted with the parents in the wonderful *McCall* family.

My mother, who went with me, and I also left for and returned from California via New York so I actually got a "double" first prize.

In New York, we met the *McCall's* stylist from the West Coast who accompanied us on our trip to serve as a companion-guide.

Our week in Hollywood was full of one exciting event after another. We visited MGM studio where I met the head designer, Helen Rose; took a tour of the costume department; ate dinner at the commissary; and, to top it all, met Greer Garson and Walter Pidgeon on the set of

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Betty models the prize winning dress.



OUR NEW OFFICERS

Your State officers were elected by *You* at your district rallies last fall and installed at the State Convention in Raleigh last Spring.

Our President

Carolyn Abernathy comes from Alexander-Wilson school in Alamance County. "Nearly" blonde and very attractive, 17-year-old Carolyn is a senior in high school and wants to attend Phieffier Junior College and then study to be an X-ray technician. She has one sister who loves to attend F.H.A. activities with Carolyn, and two school teachers for parents. Carolyn enjoys all sports, sewing, and cooking. She makes most of her clothes and helps her mother with food preparations. English is her favorite subject and math the most dreaded. She is very active in many extra curricular activities, having been a member of the F.H.A. for three years and served as historian and parliamentarian of her organization.

Carolyn says, "I learned so many wonderful ideas at the National delegates meeting for furthering our organization and interpreting our purposes to the school, community, and state. Let's strive to make F.H.A. far reaching in scope and gain new horizons!"

Our Vice-President

Jean Faulkner, our vice-president, is from Red Oak and a junior in high school. She has brown hair and eyes, weighs 110 pounds and is five feet four and a half inches tall. Jean's favorite sport is basketball and she has played on the team for three years. She has been very active in the school organizations and in her Sunday School. One of her talents is music and she plays the piano for Church. She enjoys being with a crowd, especially at dances and swimming parties.

Jean attended White Lake Camp last summer and learned a great deal about the organization during leadership training. She says, "I have learned how important it is to have well-planned programs for our organization to grow. Good program ideas can be found in your

program of work, *Teen Times*, and *Newsletter*. So many of us are guilty of never reading our F.H.A. magazines. If we will work together we will make our organization one of which we will be proud."

Our Secretary

Betty Lou Graham is one of seven children and lives on a 120 acre farm near Stedman. She is a seventeen-year-old senior with brown hair and blue eyes. She attends church every Sunday and plays the piano for Sunday School. Betty enjoys sewing, music, basketball, growing flowers, and keeping scrapbooks. "F.H.A. has played an important part in my life during the past four years. The highlights of these years have been my selection as State Secretary and the wonderful trip to Wisconsin as a North Carolina delegate. I shall never forget these experiences and am proud to be a part of such a great organization. I want to urge each of you to make the most of your opportunities in F.H.A. because we are the leaders and moulders of America's future. Always keep the purposes of the organization in mind and strive toward our goals."

Our Treasurer

Betty Hatton, your State Treasurer, hails from Goldsboro. She has served as parliamentarian and reporter and assisted on many F.H.A. committees. Betty says that while she was working on her junior degree of achievement she realized just how important the F.H.A. is. "Little did I realize that one day I would be a state officer." Betty has also been active in extra curricular activities of the school and enjoys all kinds of recreation, especially swimming. After graduation from high school, she will enter the Rex Hospital School of Nursing and will eventually major in surgery.

Our Historian

Meet Peggy Dunn, your historian, who is five feet four inches tall and one of four children. She is a senior at Clemmons High School and enjoys biology and home economics

most of all her subjects. Peggy says if she has a hobby it would be caring for her eight months' old redhead sister. She also enjoys cooking, sewing, knitting, horseback riding, swimming, and reading. Her talent is singing and she enjoys being a member of her church choir. Peggy hopes to enter Nurses' School when she graduates from high school. She would like to do social work or go to Germany to work in a refugee hospital in the childrens' section. Peggy says, "I want to thank each of you for making it possible for me to attend the National Delegates Meeting. It was the most wonderful experience I have ever had."

Our Parliamentarian

LaSalle Light is a mountain gal who lives in Old Fort at the foot of the Grandfather Mountain. LaSalle is the tallest of our officers, with a height of five feet nine and a half inches. Her school interests are English, basketball and club work. She plans to enter W.C.U.N.C. after graduation from high school and major in English. LaSalle has a great interest in F.H.A. and believes in its purposes.

Our Reporter

Kitty Campen is an Easterner from down Edenton way. After graduation from high school, she plans to enter college. Kitty has brown hair and eyes and a pretty smile. She urges all chapter reporters to publicize your F.H.A. chapter and to let the community know of your activities. Plan special publicity features for National F.H.A. Week November 2-8. Don't forget to send your news to your state magazine. Let others know what you are doing. On the mark, get set for publicity for F.H.A.

Our Song Leader

State F.H.A. Song Leader Clara Burris, a sixteen-year-old, five feet four inch, blonde senior at Endy High School in Stanly County, is a young lady with a great deal of "Wim, Wigor, and Witality." During four busy years in F.H.A., Clara has held the offices of secretary and song leader, has earned her Junior and Chapter degrees, and has attended a pair each of state and county rallies. Recognized as a mainstay of the basketball team, Clara also participates in church work, plays, class projects, and a wide range of other activities. In her rare spare time, Clara enjoys music and singing, sewing, and collecting photographs.

By CAROLYN ABERNATHY, BET

The much awaited day finally arrived. We were on our way to the National F.H.A. Meeting in Green Lake, Wisconsin. . . . This was a new and wonderful experience for us, because most of us had never been on a long train trip, and here we were planning to ride the most modern streamliners on the Norfolk and Western line!

Our first stretch was rather slow because we were on a local train which stopped at every crossing and didn't make more than 40 miles per hour. However, at Roanoke we boarded the pullman and settled down for a night's ride.

Were we happy when the conductor announced that the dining car had been added and we could eat! Eating on the train was another new experience and we soon began wondering if we would be able to hit our mouths with our food, because of the swaying of the train.

Our compartments were out of this world! When you first walked in, all you saw were two beds, bunk fashion. There were buttons for everything. One turned on the lights, another a fan, another opened the closet door and one summoned the porter. Can you imagine our delight when we discovered a tiny bathroom all folded up in the wall—one button opened up a lavatory, another turned on cold and hot water. Did we feel like queens in a castle!!

After exploring the lounge car, we returned to our compartments and to a wonderful night's sleep! Well, not entirely wonderful! We were going through the West Virginia mountains which caused the train to sway more than usual, to not even mention the squeaking and banging of the cars.

We changed trains the next morning in Cincinnati and had time to explore the most beautiful station in the U. S. It was like being in a city underground. During our second day's journey we had time to discuss some of the things we expected at the meeting and what our responsibilities were. For the first time we realized what responsibilities we assumed by representing all of North Carolina at the National Meeting.

In Chicago we changed stations, which gave us an opportunity to see some of Chicago as we crossed the city. It was exciting to pass the Conrad Hilton Hotel and see the skyline of the city. The taxi driver was from Georgia so we enjoyed our chat with him.

We finally boarded the "Olympian Hiawatha" for our last stretch toward Wisconsin. After what seemed like ages, we arrived in Portage, where we took a bus for our last 50 miles to Green Lake.

What a relief to step on firm ground! After registering and finding our rooms, we realized how tired we were, but happy to have reached our much anticipated destination.

You can imagine our surprise when we were told that we were attending an "open-ended" or "unstructured" meeting, which means that the program is not planned in advance. The delegates do all the planning. It's a self-organizing, or plan-as-you-go meeting. What the delegates do and what they get out of it is up to them.

During the first session, we held buzz sessions right and left to decide exactly what we wanted to get out of the conference. This turned out to be rather hectic, but we decided what we would discuss, how we would discuss it, and when.

Mr. Russell Becker, our consultant, explained the philosophy of the open-ended meeting. "The well-ordered program and the well-ordered schedule of procedure makes everybody feel that everything is taken care of—everything under control, so they feel secure and content with the conference. The open-ended program arouses a lot of inner feelings of discomfort and that is the basis of making everyone feel that he or she has to pitch in and help. In other words, they feel that if they don't come to the rescue, it will flop. So, everyone pitches in."

Monday night we enjoyed a pageant showing the growth of F.H.A. since its beginning. Maybe the reason we liked it so much was that North Carolina was in it.

We found it terribly hard to crawl out of bed the next morning, but knowing there was only one call to breakfast, we hastened our preparations. We were kinda hungry!

After breakfast the entire morning was spent in a general session devoted to dues. Miss Francis Swain, our bursar, told us all about where our F.H.A. money comes from, where it goes, and how we would benefit if the delegation voted to increase the national dues five cents.

This was followed by a timely and very interesting skit on dues, with members from the national office participating. During this

presentation, we also learned a little about how our national office conducts its business. Very interesting!

The skit was followed by a panel discussion on the "pro's and con's" of increasing the national dues. The panel was well represented by a member from the national office, a state adviser, a local adviser, a delegate from a large state, one from a small state, and two from average states. A general poll was then taken on the question of an increase in dues, the results being thirty-nine states for, seven states against.

We were pretty well exhausted by this time and were quite ready to eat the delicious food set before us.

In the afternoon each one of us went to one of the twelve work groups. We were then allowed free time, which was welcomed by all. We eagerly set out to explore our surroundings. Green Lake is owned by the American Baptist and used as Assembly grounds, covers 1,100 acres of wooded land with two and one-half miles of lake frontage. During our stay we had an opportunity to tour the grounds by bus and view the lake front by boat. We hiked up to the Indian Village to see the Judson Tower, which was originally a prayer tower, located on the Assembly grounds. It is now the home of the famous Carillon Bells, which chime out every hour. (These are the chimes that awakened us every morning.) The great totem pole is also an outstanding attraction.

A talent show was given that night by delegates from the various states. The most enjoyable presentation was performed by the girls from Hawaii, during several versions of the Hula. After the show, the delegation received baby orchids from them, small samples of cheese from Wisconsin, and small boxes of sugar from Louisiana.

Our next general session was devoted to Mr. Russell Becker, our director for this "open-ended" meeting. He spoke on how to help a group function more effectively. One of the most important points brought out was helping each person to *truly* feel a part of the group. After this, we again went to our work groups.

An exchange of ideas by states took place during the afternoon.

GATES MEETING

GRAHAM, AND PEGGY DUNN

Ideas on camps, handbooks, publicity, stimulators for chapter members, and election of officers were just a few of the many topics discussed.

The night was devoted to a very enjoyable recreation program. Our toes and throats ached from all the folk dancing and singing. This was our first chance to enjoy recreation with the group, besides the many pajama parties held each night.

We surprised one of the delegates from Illinois (our next-door neighbors at the hotel) with a birthday party, along with the groups from Ohio and Hawaii. The Hawaiian girls brought some of their native food. We learned that dried coconut meat, preserved Chinese candies, and lichee fruits aren't bad eating at all!

Each of us is just beginning to realize that this "open-ended" meeting is important to all. We really feel that we've had a part in this conference and it's up to us, if it's a successful one.

Next to our last day! We're beginning to realize how hard it will be to tell the many friends we've made good-bye and we're determined to make every minute count.

The last morning session was devoted to sub-regional meetings, where the new national officers were elected, and to the business of the conference. The final vote was taken on the question of a dues increase and the results were eighty-two delegates for, eleven against. A report was heard from each work group and the recommendations turned over to the national office. This had been a long morning and we were very ready when lunch time was announced.

Reports from national officers, the adoption of the national program of work, and a resumé of the meeting took place during the afternoon session. All in all, it had been a successful conference and we had learned the responsibility that comes with *not* having a printed program.

Our banquet and installation service were held that night, and I'll have to admit there weren't many dry-eyed girls at its conclusion. We went back to the hotel then to do all that packing, which had to be done by early Friday morning. It was late when we finally went to

sleep. There had been many pajama parties to attend and lots of addresses to exchange!

Friday, July 18, found us up bright and early. Not because we weren't sleepy, but because this was the parting day from Green Lake. We were anxious to tell all of our new friends goodbye and then, too, the last minute packing was to be done.

At breakfast, we did the last goodbye by singing to each other. The South sang "Dixie" and the North "Yankee Doodle," each trying to be a little louder than the other. After this quieted down, we sang to the National Adviser, and other Advisers, the President of the campus, the waitresses and waiters, who were college students, and the cooks. The BIG surprise came when four boys, who acted as helpers at the Inn, came in and sang us a parting song. I believe this is the way it goes. "We're sorry to see you go, we're sorry to see you go—we know we'll miss you, we wish we could kiss you, we're sorry to see you go." We thought the song was very nice, and they harmonized well, too.

After breakfast with all baggage packed, we boarded the bus to Portage to begin the long trip home. The weather was rainy and very cold.

Our first big stop coming home was in Chicago where we had a two-hour stay. We changed train stations and it was then that delegates separated from the Advisers and we received severe orders to be back at the station at 4 o'clock sharp ready to leave. Well, we delegates walked down the street to buy a few souvenirs and to tour the Conrad Hilton Hotel. We received the thrill of our lives when we looked up the street to see Estes Kefauver, Candidate for President, going into the hotel. Try as we may, we weren't able to get his autograph. We did, however, go up to the third floor and get some Russell badges.

It was still raining so we caught a cab back to the train station. Time to board the train—no Miss Eller and no Mrs. Britt. Time for the train to pull out—still no Advisers. We were getting kinda worried and yet we laughed because they had warned us so about being on time. The part that wasn't funny was that they had our pullman tickets.

As the Conductor called all aboard, we caught a glimpse of two figures racing down the board walk and heard one say, "Don't leave us

—don't let that train pull out!" Our minds were a little cased when we saw that the figures weren't professional racers at all, but Miss Eller and Mrs. Britt, just in time to board as the train pulled out. Miss Eller said later, "Anyway, we feel we could have won any track race—even in high heels."

We found that they had been to Marshall Fields, the largest department store in the world, and a taxi had taken them to the wrong train station on the way back. When they handed the conductor their tickets, lo and behold, they were at the wrong train station and it was time for our train to pull out. So here they went racing back across town, making it just in time to board the right train.

It wasn't time to settle down until we reached Cincinnati, Ohio that night. Here we boarded our pullman to sleep as we traveled through the mountains. When we went to bed (finally) we had the intention of getting up at 7 o'clock in the morning to make plans on how to bring the meeting back to you. Our intentions were good, but the will had the way, for it was 9:30 when we awoke. There was still time to plan though before Peggy and Mrs. Britt parted from us in Roanoke, Virginia. Miss Eller, Carolyn, and Betty Lou went on to Durham. We might add that we met a rather nice-looking Air force man from Durham on the train.

The trip was very nice and everyone was friendly. To prove it, I'll tell of two instances on the train. One of the conductors was very nice and not too very old, so we talked him into letting us see the engine room, so at Indianapolis, Indiana, he took us up to the engine for a tour.

On the dining car, the head waiter asked us who we were, so we told him, "Future Homemakers of America." "Oh!" he said, "Future Mothers," and out he came with baby bibs for each. With the train rocking, it was so hard to get the food to find the mouth that we even thought of using the bibs ourselves.

The trip was very inspiring as well as fun and educational. It would have been nice if all Future Homemakers from North Carolina could have gone, but since we all couldn't, we as your delegates, will do our best to bring it all back to you—the education, inspiration, and even the fun of the trip.

WE GROW BY DEGREES OF *Achievement*

The degrees of achievement program is one way in which the Future Homemakers Organization gives recognition to its members who have worked effectively toward achieving the purposes of the organization, contributed to the improvement of their chapters, homes, schools, and communities, and who have planned for their own growth as individuals.

There are three degrees of achievement at present—the junior degree, chapter degree, and state degree. These are received after certain goals, set up in the State Handbook, are achieved. Last year there were 945 junior homemaker degrees earned in North Carolina, 328 chapter degrees, and 42 state degrees. Perhaps hearing the experiences of others would help you as you work toward your degree this year. *Beverly Adams of the Lee Edwards Chapter in Asheville* writes:

"To me, a few years ago, the State Homemaker Degree seemed too high an honor to ever achieve. The girls I had known at Lee Edwards, who had received the degree, were such fine girls and excelled in so many ways, that I had little hope of ever being included with them. After observing them, I realized that they did not receive the degree through pure luck, but it was the result of good planning and hard work. With that in mind, I started working toward my first degree. By the end of the year, I was thrilled to receive the second degree.

"Before summer our advisers had a conference with all candidates for the State Homemaker Degree for the next year. I saw the blank which I would fill in at the end of the year and it was indeed a challenge. During the summer I kept a diary in which I wrote down all F.H.A. activities I participated in. I tried to plan to include as much as possible. For example: I was on the staff at Sky Valley Camp. My duties included baby-sitting, cooking, planning menus, and being pianist. As a result of this summer, I asked to return as Assistant Dietitian for the following camp season of 1952. I have just returned from the camp and feel that this experience will be very valuable to me as I enter Wom-

an's College at Greensboro this fall, majoring in Home Economics.

"All during the school year I worked faithfully following plans outlined at the first of the year. As I received the State Homemaker Degree blank, I was aware that I needed to work on many phases of homemaking. So I chose a relationship problem as one of my Home Experiences. This one I am still working on but I feel that this interest made me more aware of relationship problems.

"During my three years at Lee Edwards High School, I grew intensely interested in the field of homemaking and decided that I would make it my career. This, of course, gave me a goal to work for and this goal was the State Homemaker Degree.

"The State Homemaker Degree takes a good deal of work and planning. I had a lot of fun making a scrapbook of everything that I had done while working on this degree, to turn in with the required standards written in form.

"The work was hard and sometimes discouraging, but the reward very great. I feel that having this degree is a start in my life of homemaking, and that it will encourage me as I begin my college life at W. C. this fall majoring in Home Economics."

The following challenge comes from *Carol Long, Mary Ann Hampton, Sarah Carpenter, Joan Mauney and Ruth Hyder of the Rutherford Spindale Chapters*.

"Why does F.H.A. have Degrees of Achievement? It isn't required that Future Homemakers attain them, so what was the reason for their origination? You may be asking questions like these and wondering how working toward these goals will help you. We wondered that too, when we were very new Future Homemakers, and we found the answer. Maybe we can help you as you consider starting on degree work. So read what we have to tell you and let it be a challenge to you.

"In our chapter, we have an active degrees committee. When we joined the chapter, we were introduced to the different degrees by that com-

mittee. We decided then that we needed a goal to work toward, something challenging, and the F.H.A. Degrees of Achievement were just what we were looking for. The degrees committee explained the standards for the Junior Degree and we began memorizing the creed; and the symbolism of the emblem, the colors, and the flower. With the assistance of the adviser, the committee planned a specific time to help all the girls working on the degree. We found that by doing what we were asked to do by the chapter, we had contributed to its program. Our mothers pointed out some definite ways we could contribute more to family life. By taking part in all the activities of the organization, we learned to work more effectively with others. The degrees committee had guided us right and we were surprised at how interested other people were in helping us. That was all there was to attaining the first degree and it had helped us so much in feeling that we were really doing something purposeful.

"When we were ready to work on our Chapter Homemaker Degree, the degrees committee was again on its toes and ready to help. We read the State F.H.A. Constitution and By-Laws. We loved reading the Newsletters as they came in, too. By doing this reading, we were enabled to demonstrate the F.H.A. programs of works at all levels. We became members of committees and some of us were even made chairmen of them. We learned to co-operate with the other committee members in planning the various activities which we were responsible for. By helping to carry on our chapter meetings in an orderly way, we learned the correct parliamentary procedures. We could see that we were making progress in working effectively with others. The degrees committee gave those trying for the Chapter Degree an examination covering the standards of the degree. They were checked and discussed by the Executive Council.

"After we had received the two local degrees, we began wondering if it would be at all possible for us to get the State Degree. It was a big step to take, but there it was looming up before us, challenging us to fight until we attained it. So we started to work again. We took notes on every activity we had a part in. We held office, took positions of leadership outside our chapter, and made contributions on our chapter, school, community, homes, churches, state, and nation. We followed the

instructions on our application blanks and made accurate charts of the things we did, giving the dates and quality of the contributions. It wasn't hard to climb the ladder of degrees and feel ourselves grow. We made it and so can you!

"At our Mother-Daughter Banquet held in the spring, the highlight of our F.H.A. year, the candidates for degrees received public recognition for their work. As we achieved higher degrees, we looked forward to the time when we would be recognized for our work. In the candlelight ceremony, as suggested in the guide book, our president, historian, and secretary presented the awards.

"The State Degree is not given in this manner, of course. Rather, we considered the highlight of all our years in F.H.A. as being the day we received this degree. The State Degree is conferred at State Conventions. We received our degrees on the stage of Hugh Morson High School in Raleigh. With all eyes of the convention upon us, could we help but feel that all our time and efforts had been repaid with a high rate of interest? The beauty of this ceremony coupled with the glory of becoming a State Homemaker made the convention one we shall always remember. We could now wear the F.H.A. pin with all three emblems; the key, the scroll, and the torch!

"Yes, it was exciting as we reached high ideals. We have learned a lesson, one that every girl in the world needs to know. Not only in F.H.A., but in any phase of life, we need to aim the things we do toward a definite goal. We have more determination to meet life with a smile and say 'Yes, we can do it if we try!' We challenge you to set your goals high and work diligently toward them."

TOP PRIZE

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their forthcoming movie. We also took a boat trip to Catalina Islands; viewed a movie, as yet unreleased to the public, from a projection room at Warner Bros.; went to a concert under the stars at the Hollywood Bowl; attended a radio show and I appeared as a guest on two TV shows. Since getting back home, I've been busy as a bee getting ready to enter Mary Washington College. I'll be there when you read this so if you're ever in Fredericksburg, Va., come to see me and I'll show you my souvenirs from a marvelous trip.

Campaigning for STATE F.H.A. PARLIAMENTARIAN

By REGENE MOULTON, Boyden High School Chapter.

Campaign plans are like budgets—they look good on paper, but it takes a little finesse to carry them out.

For a number of months I have been actively engaged in organizing and carrying out what I hope will be a successful campaign which will help me win an office in the State organization.

Every office requires different qualifications. Primarily, the candidate for any office should have a sincere interest in the organization.

My interest in F.H.A. was aroused in my freshman year when I joined the local chapter. Being an active member, I had the opportunity during that year to attend a County rally at Boyden High, a District rally at Thomasville, and a State rally at High Point. The following year I attended the State rally in Raleigh and late in the spring as vice-president of my local chapter I went with my adviser, Miss Anne Hall, who is district adviser, to the meeting at which plans for this year's district meeting were made.

Attending these meetings did much to stimulate my interest in the activities of the organization as a whole, and to hold a district or State office soon became my desire. In the meantime I have been active in my local chapter. During the school year, 1951-1952, I was elected vice-president, chapter parliamentarian and program chairman. One of my duties for the past two years has been welcoming freshmen and informing them of our chapter's activities.

At a chapter meeting in May of this year, I was nominated to run for the office of district president and State parliamentarian. The president of our local chapter offered to be my campaign manager immediately following my nomination. Later at F.H.A. Camp her assistance was very beneficial to my campaign. The annual summer F.H.A. Camp at White Lake was actually where I began my campaign for State parliamentarian. There I took a course in parliamentary procedure and participated in a final report given by this group before the entire camp.

During September the principal of our high school wrote letters of rec-

ommendation which were sent to each district chapter. Postal cards announcing my election plans and qualifications were sent as a follow-up to the letters.

At the district rally at Mount Airy in October we plan to hand each chapter a mimeographed sheet entitled "Regene Moulton's Parliamentary Procedure in Nine Steps," which I had found on the back of the April 1951 issue of *Teen Times*. This will present the systematic scheme I plan to carry out if elected.

The F.H.A. has been an interesting challenge. I count it an honor that I have been able to achieve my Junior Degree in my sophomore year and my Chapter Degree in my junior year. Two years from now when I enter college I plan to major in home economics and continue my work in F.H.A.

Our group has been one willing to undertake any task which is beneficial to the school. This fall we volunteered our services before school opened to help copy schedules for the individual students. Being the only officer in town at the time, I assumed the responsibility for finding workers.

Did I win the election? That I cannot answer. In order to meet the publication deadline of the "Newsletter" it was necessary to send this in before actual election time. As I said at the beginning, "Campaign Plans are like budgets—they look good on paper but it takes a little finesse to carry them out."



Regene is shown calling on other F.H.A. members for help in her campaign.

COVER PICTURE

Our New State Officers—Jean Faulkner, Betty Hatton, Kitty Campen, Peggy Dunn, Betty Lou Graham, Clara Burris, Carolyn Abernathy, LaSalle Light.

White Lake Camp—1952

Six hundred and seventy-two members and advisers attended F.H.A. Camp at White Lake during the two weeks' period. Ole Man Weather was kind and considerate and gave us two wonderful weeks of warm sunshine and balmy breezes. As usual, the most popular periods of the day were swimming and activity periods, which include crafts, singing, dancing, and sports. Competitive spirit was shown between cottages during the out door sports tournaments. It was an excellent way to combine exercise and getting a sun tan! During the leadership training period, the members learned new and better ways of reaching our purposes in F.H.A. and interpreting F.H.A. to the community.

Another very popular phase of camp life was the

evening entertainment. Talent scouts would have discovered beauty queens, fashion designers of bathing suits, crooners, and dancers, to say nothing of the healthy boosters from the onlookers.

The spiritual growth of the campers was not neglected. At flag raising in the calm and beauty of the early morning, and again at the close of the day, an inspirational devotion was given by some of the campers.

At the close of the week, the girls had made many new friends, realized that they had thoroughly enjoyed the week, and that they had received many new ideas for better F.H.A. work. It was a wonderful week for all!

NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA WHITE STUDENT CLUB ORGANIZATION SEPTEMBER 1, 1951 TO SEPTEMBER 15, 1952

RECEIPTS

Bank Balance September 1, 1951.....		\$ 4,335.09
Receipts from Fees (17,604 Members @ 50c).....	\$ 8,847.00	
Contributions to National Workshop.....	1,320.33	
Miscellaneous Receipts.....	66.30	
Total Receipts.....		\$10,233.63
Total Balance and Receipts.....		\$14,568.72

LESS: EXPENDITURES

National Dues.....	\$ 1,798.70	
District and State Rallies.....	515.75	
Newsletter (4 Issues).....	4,513.97	
Miscellaneous (Guides, Pictures, etc.).....	185.48	
Executive Board Expenses.....	194.79	
Printing (5,000 Envelopes).....	50.10	
Postage and Supplies.....	597.06	
National Executive Council.....	137.53	
Auditing F.H.A. Books.....	30.00	
National Delegates Expenses.....	727.28	
Total Expenditures.....		8,750.66

BALANCE		\$ 5,818.06
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CAMP—1952

Total Receipts from Camp.....	\$ 7,782.70	
Less: Expenditures.....	6,269.46	
Balance	\$ 1,513.24	
Petty Cash Balance.....	12.39	
Total Savings.....	\$ 1,525.63	
Total Invested in N. C. Credit Union		
Savings	\$16,913.83	
Bonds	1,600.00	
Total Savings.....	\$18,513.83	

Future Homemakers of America

CREED

We are the Future Homemakers of America
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope,
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking
Old and precious values.

For we are the builders of homes,
Homes for America's future.
Homes where living will be the expression of everything
That is good and fair.
Homes where truth and love and security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

We are the Future Homemakers of America.
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope.



"The homes of tomorrow are in
the hands of the youth
of today"

CAROLINE SAYS

A wide-awake progressive F.H.A. Chapter will plan a calendar for the year's activities, so that plans will be made well in advance of the activity and nothing will be overlooked in the rush and bustle of school life. Why not make yours similar to this?

JULY-AUGUST

Have chapter and county Leadership Training Workshops for officers. Attend National Convention July 2-6. Plan for year's work. Make a nook or corner for F.H.A.

SEPTEMBER

Complete planning. Campaign for new members. Initiation of new members. Begin working on degrees. Have county rallies.

OCTOBER

Pay State and National dues. Observe U. N. Day. Plan for National F.H.A. Week. Attend District Rally. Attend State Fair.

NOVEMBER

Observe National F.H.A. Week. Observe World Christmas Festival. Send article to local paper and Newsletter on F.H.A. activities. Send in Intentions for State Degrees.

DECEMBER

Make toys for needy children. Encourage the spirit of giving. Send greetings to Pen Pals.

JANUARY

Plan and have family fun night. Deadline for State and National dues. Article for Newsletter.

FEBRUARY

Publicize F.H.A. in some special way. Have a Daddy-Date party. Sponsor money-making project for expenses to National Convention.

MARCH

Help plan for state meeting. Have a career program. Send in applications for State degrees.

APRIL

Attend State Convention.

MAY

Elect officers for next year. Evaluate year's work. Observe Mother's Day. Plan to attend camp. Send in annual report.

JUNE

Attend camp at White Lake. Plan to send delegate to National Convention.





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*Our wish for you at Christ-
mastime . . . health, happiness
and all the good things in life.*

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Christmas Is

What You Make It

The true spirit of Christmas, is not in the gift you give, but in the giving of your thoughts and your hearts. Christmas is the time when we think of the less fortunate, when we have peace and good will for our fellowmen, when we want to share a little of ourselves to make those around us happy.

The Morganton Chapter portrayed the real spirit of Christmas when they had a Christmas party for the children at the Deaf School. It was touching to see those little faces light up as each one received a gift.

Many chapters collect worn and discarded toys and refinish them for less fortunate children. Others pack gifts for families in the neighborhood.

Mount Holly Chapter held an open house to display the clothing, gifts, and toys they had made for underprivileged children. They also helped to give people ideas for making economical Christmas gifts. Some of the gifts displayed were serving trays from paint can tops, luxurious jewel boxes made from cigar boxes, purses, dolls and toys made from socks, pot holders, scarves, luncheon sets, lamps from bottles, footstools and many others.

Christmas is also the time for families to unite for fun, caroling, and harmonious living. In making your Christmas list this year, plan to share yourself with each member of your family in spending some time in the way he or she would like. Maybe your little sister wants to play dolls, your little brother wants to look in the fields for a special kind of rock. Grandmother enjoys having someone read to her, or Daddy wants to go riding through the country. And as you share, each moment of happiness you give will come back in a sense of satisfaction that will make the whole holiday a *big* success.

Making up cast for "Where's That Report Card?": Anne Lawson making up Larry Peeler, Jean Stanback making up Lonnie Coulter, Ann Cornelius making up Barbara Peacock, District VII F.H.A. Rally on October 4, 1952, Mount Airy, N. C.



Ready for Christmas

"Ready for Christmas," she said with a sigh,
As she gave a last touch to the gifts piled high,
Then wearily sat for a moment and read
Till soon, very soon, she was nodding her head.

Then quietly spoke a voice in her dream,

"Ready for Christmas? What do you mean?

Ready for Christmas, When only last week

You wouldn't acknowledge your friend on the street?

"Ready for Christmas, while holding a grudge?

Perhaps you had better let God be the judge.

Why, how can the Christ-child come and abide,

In a heart that is selfish and filled with pride?

"Ready for Christmas, when only today

A beggar lad came and you turned him away

Without even a smile to show that you care?

The little he asked — it could have been spared.

"Ready for Christmas? You've worked, it is true,

But just doing things that you wanted to do.

Ready for Christmas? Your circle's too small,

Why, you are not ready for Christmas at all."

She awoke with a start, and a cry of despair,

"There's so little time, and I've still to prepare!

O' Father, forgive me, I see what you mean,

To be ready means more than a house swept clean!"

Yes, more than the giving of gifts and a tree,

It's the heart swept clean that He wants to see,

A heart that is free from bitterness—sin

Ready for Christmas and ready for Him.

North Dakota Newsletter



F. H. A. Exhibit AT THE STATE FAIR

As the crowds drifted through the exhibit halls at the N. C. State Fair, many remarks were overheard, like this: "North Carolina Future Homemakers, Oh! That's me! Look Sue, here's our exhibit!" "Say I wonder if my picture is up there." "Who canned the corn?" "Isn't the jelly pretty!" "Look at the pretty dressing table." The most gratifying but challenging remark was made by a foreign student who said: "Future Homemakers of America—You mean you have a club to learn to be better homemakers? Ah, there's the answer to our building of a better world!"

At the left of the exhibit a large board displayed scenes of F.H.A. activities and homemaking education. To the center front a table held canned fruit and vegetables from Bethesda High School, Durham County, and to the right was an attractive dressing table and stool made by the Chapel Hill Homemaking girls for their cottage. An enlarged picture revealed the girls at work putting the finishing touches to the project in their classroom. In the background is a form draped with material which represents one area of the homemaking program, clothing.

Of course, no exhibit would be complete without the F.H.A. emblem and motto. The one used in this exhibit was contributed by the Lee County group. All of this interprets to the public that with the training F.H.A.'ers receive in homemaking classes and F.H.A. Chapters, we are working for better and happier home life for everyone and that we believe helping to make happy homes, now and in the future, is the most important thing that youth can do for democracy.

1953 NATIONAL CONVENTION

Most of you already know that the 1953 National F.H.A. Convention will be held in Columbus, Ohio, July 2-8, and that North Carolina is allotted 81 members and 20 adults. Have you started your money-raising project to send a delegate from your school? It is estimated that each delegate will need approximately \$150 for the trip, but more definite information concerning travel and expenses will be given you later. Make North Carolina shine by filling our quota of delegates! Plan to send a delegate to Columbus next summer!

F. H. A'er Wins

North Carolina Apple Growers in conjunction with Appalachian Apple Service and the Women's Committee of State Horticultural Societies sponsored an Apple Pan Dowdy Baking Contest this year for the apple-producing counties in the State. This contest was open to Future Homemakers, 4-H girls and those studying Home Economics. Linda Bolick of the Taylorsville F.H.A. Chapter was selected state winner, after competing with one hundred and twenty-four girls from her school, three other county schools, and the neighboring county of Wilkes. As State winner, Linda won an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D. C. to compete in the all-eastern states contest; a uniform, and a dress from Florida Fashion Frocks, Inc. This was Linda's first trip to the Capitol City which was filled with interesting experiences such as taking part in a radio program and her appearance on television. Mrs. Madge Young, her adviser, whose expenses were paid also, accompanied her to Washington.

If there are any Future Homemakers who do not know what an Apple Pan Dowdy is, just write to the Taylorsville Chapter and they will be glad to enlighten you. Apple Pan Dowdy, an old English dish, has become quite popular in Alexander County, which is one of the State's leading apple producing counties.

CHAPTER PARENTS IN THE F. H. A.

One of the most important but most neglected leaders of the F.H.A. is a chapter parent. A chapter Mother or Dad is an adult who has been chosen by F.H.A. members to serve for a definite period of time as an adviser. He encourages the chapter in its work, helps to interpret it to others, and gives support and guidance to the activities carried on by the chapter.

Why have a chapter Mother or Dad (or both)? If we are to have better and happier home and community life, it is always wise to have a parent's viewpoint in choosing activities to promote these goals. Having chapter parents also brings about a better understanding of our purposes and more interest in our activities on the part of people in the community. Chapter parents are also needed to assist with many of the activities planned.

What are some "for instances"? So many times chapter parents are able to provide transportation to meetings, rallies, or conventions. In

launching a worthwhile project, such as a nutrition program or a community clean-up, it helps to have the support of an adult in the community in securing the needed co-operation. Chapter parents are also able assistance in money making activities for such causes as sending a delegate to the national convention or needed equipment in the homemaking department.

Who makes a good chapter Mother or Dad? You, of course, want someone who is interested in teen-agers and in the F.H.A. and who enjoys and understands you. Your F.H.A. parent should also have a pleasing personality and be a successful homemaker. And, if possible, choose a person who will have some time to devote to the F.H.A. and its activities.

Chapter parents may be selected at the beginning of school or at the time chapter officers are elected in the spring. They are of valuable help during the summer in keeping

the F.H.A. work going. The local chapter may determine how a parent is to be elected, whether by a nominating committee or from the floor. A record of chapter Mothers and Dads should be kept in the scrapbook as a part of the history of the chapter.

There are responsibilities, however, of the chapter to chapter parents. Show appreciation to them for their services and let the public know how they are helping you. Always make them feel welcome when they attend social activities and make them honored guests at special functions. Talk to them about your activities. Remember them at Christmas and other special days with a card or note. Keep them informed of chapter activities and send them copies of all materials. Seek their advice and help as it is needed, and co-operate with them in every way possible because they are working to strengthen *Your* F.H.A.

Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

Clara Burris, State Song Leader, and all other North Carolina Future Homemakers are very anxious for North Carolina to have a state F.H.A. song! There must be plenty of talent for song writing in the Tar Heel State, so why not let your talent show? The song may be an individual or group contribution. Don't let North Carolina down!!! Get busy and write a song for F.H.A.

The rules were written by the Executive Council and are as follows:

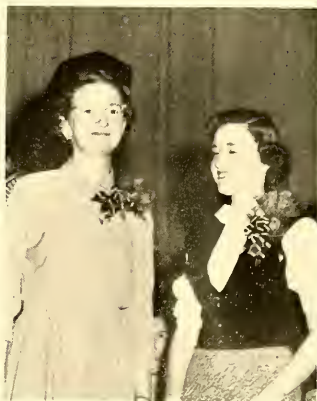
1. Words have to be original.
2. Song must give reference to F.H.A.
3. Music may be original or an old familiar tune.
4. Song must be one that each girl will be proud to call her state F.H.A. song.
5. Send your song to your district officer by first week in January.
6. Songs must be mailed to State office by January 15, 1953.

IMPORTANT!

Noth Carolina will be allowed to run a candidate for a national office next year. This election will be held at the National Convention in Columbus, Ohio. Our state candidate will be chosen at the State Convention in April. Carefully study the qualifications of a leader and choose a candidate who possesses these qualities and who will win at the National Convention. We want North Carolina to have a National Officer. Begin preparing your candidate now!!!

In Memoriam

Mary Moore, F.H.A. member of the Massey Hill Chapter who died November 1, and Lillie Hardee of the Hope Mills Chapter who died November 12.



NATIONAL F.H.A. ADVISER VISITS STATE

Shown above is Miss Marguerite Scruggs, National F.H.A. Adviser, as she is being introduced at the District IV Rally by Jean Faulkner, presiding officer.

DISTRICT I

Greenville

Kitty Campen, Presiding

The Austin Auditorium on the College Campus at Greenville was the home of the District I Future Homemakers of America Rally, Saturday, October 25.

Kitty Campen of Edenton, State Reporter, called the meeting to order by using the F.H.A. Opening Ritual. Other officers taking part in the opening Ritual were: Ann Timberlake—Vice-President; Hazel Paul—Secretary; Jane Manning—Treasurer; and Helen Corbett—Parliamentarian.

A very inspiring Devotional was rendered by the Pamlico County Chapter. Immediately following this, the entire group was led in the singing of the United Nations Hymn by the Williamston Chapter.

Dr. Bessie McNeil, Director of the Department of Home Economics at Greenville, extended to all Future Homemakers a hearty welcome to the college. She invited us on a tour of the campus immediately following our meeting and also to a tea given in our honor.

Special guests of the day were introduced, among them Miss Alice Strawn, an honorary member of our Future Homemakers Organization. Miss Strawn was responsible for the lovely red roses used for decorations.

Mrs. Queenie Warren, District I Adviser, introduced to us our State Adviser, Miss Daphne Eller. Miss Eller told us about attending the National meeting and about the new ideas she gained during her trip.

New business discussed was the raising of the Club dues from the present 50 cents to 70 cents. After a very thorough discussion, a motion was made that the dues be raised. This motion was then voted on and carried by a large majority. Another item for discussion was the fact that our North Carolina Future Homemakers have no State Song. All interested club members are urged to begin working on plans for a song. The words must be original and have reference to the F.H.A. All definite plans must be sent to our State Officer, Kitty Campen, by the first week in January.

Our Guest Speaker for the day, Dr. J. D. Messick, was introduced to us by Emily Faircloth, President of the College, Home Economics Club. Dr. Messick's address centered attention upon the importance

of personality. In defining personality, he laid emphasis upon qualities arising from the moral, spiritual, and intellectual life of the individual. He continued by telling us the great opportunities that exist for the girl who is trained in the home economics department and who continues this training until completion of a college course. At the conclusion of his address he was presented a red rose, symbol of Future Homemakers Organization.

The chairman of the Nominating Committee then presented the campaign managers of all nominees for State Treasurer. The nominees were as follows: Eleanor Payne, Ayden; Irene Waters, Bath; Shirley Barber, Jamesville; Peggy Spruill, Pamlico County; Jane Crofton, Plymouth; Becky Gaylord; Roper; Joan Averett, Winterville; Betty Lou Beach, Woodland-Olney; and Audrey Todd, Scotland Neck.

After a very enjoyable lunch in the college cafeteria, reports were made from the Registration Committee stating that 727 members were present along with 133 guests making a total of 860 people present for our Rally. The Invitation Committee reported that no invitations had been received for next year's Rally. The Advisers reported the election of Pauline Robbins of Pamlico County as District Adviser.

Following these reports, Mr. George E. Perry of the Department of Music at the college gave us a very interesting talk on "Music in the Home." He then presented a delightful variety of organ reveries. His selections proved very enjoyable and entertaining.

The climax of the day was the naming of the State Treasurer which was Peggy Spruill of Pamlico County, with Joan Averett of Winterville — first alternate, and Jane Crofton of Plymouth—second alternate.

Immediately following the adjournment of our meeting, the College Home Economics Staff and Club led us on a tour of the campus and afterwards to a tea in the Flanagan Building. Things we observed taught us many facts concerning college and makes it something to look forward to upon our high school graduation.

Many thanks to Miss Mabel Lacy, District Supervisor, Mrs. Queenie Warren, and all the others who worked so hard to make such an enjoyable day possible for us Future Homemakers.

OUR DISTRICT

DISTRICT II

Kenansville

Betty Hatton, Presiding

More than 800 girls and their advisers from eleven counties traveled to Kenansville for District II Rally.

Exactly on schedule, the stage curtain was drawn and revealed Betty Hatton behind the microphone in front of a background of palms and pines. Lovely red roses were on the speakers' table. On the stage with Betty were Sally Newton, Romaine Glover, Jeanette Kelly, Betty Phillips, and Mr. Z. W. Frazelle, Principal of Kenansville School, and Mr. O. P. Johnson, Superintendent of Duplin County Schools, to welcome officially the members of the Rally. The Beaufort and Morehead City Chapters gave the devotion.

During the business session, plans for dues were discussed by our F.H.A. Adviser. It was voted and carried that our dues should be raised since everything else has gone up in price.

Alice Manning, of the Richlands Chapter, presented the candidates for State Secretary. Barbara Johnson, Joyce Whittle, and Glenda Noble were presented, and I must say we had hot politics in Kenansville. Warsaw displayed beautiful posters and many artistic features for their candidate, while Glenda Noble took the show in rendering her musical numbers with the ukulele and her marvelous talent in singing to the group. Everyone displayed wonderful talent but after the campaign ended Glenda came out winner.

Mrs. L. K. Alderman rendered a lovely musical number in addition to her relaxers. The group was fascinated with the whistling and piano number which she presented.

We always enjoy our guest speaker, and if they're all as good as Mrs. Bess N. Rosa we'll take two speeches next time. She gave some good tips to the girls about dating and their future-to-be. In fact the whole talk was interesting and educational. Mrs. Rosa is Associate Professor of Home Economics, the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, Greensboro.

No one had to announce lunch twice. Our hats are off to Grifins from Goldsboro for being able to feed so many so efficiently. The

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dinner consisted of barbecue chicken and all the other things which made up a good dinner for only a small sum of seventy-five cents.

The grand finale of the District Rally was the very lovely Pageant, "Our American Heritage" given by Goldsboro F.H.A. Chapter, directed by Mr. Clifton Britton, Director of Dramatics, Goldsboro High School. More than forty girls took part in this pageant and brought many facts to us concerning the Future Homes of America.

DISTRICT III Fayetteville

Betty Lou Graham, Presiding

Members, Advisers, Chapter Mothers, and other distinguished guests attended the District III Rally at Fayetteville High School, October 25. This was a glorious day with the sunshine filling the bedlam world of campaigning around Fayetteville High School with warmth and beauty. Delegates arriving were greeted by bells and the shouting voices of the campaigners for the four candidates for State Vice-President. Three of the candidates running from Cumberland County were: Mary Le Grand Parks, Fayetteville; Norma Sue Davis, Hope Mills; and Betty Calhoun, Seventy-First. Fay Dark, the fourth candidate, came from Hoke County High in Hoke County. Betty Calhoun was elected to serve as Vice-President for 1953-54 and she will automatically become President in 1954-55.

Lt. Colonel Wallace M. Hales of Fort Bragg, the main speaker of the morning session, spoke to the group on "Home Life in Italy." He told the Future Homemakers "that the majority of people in Italy place the emphasis on home life and make their homes a place filled with generous, hospitable atmosphere."

During the business session the District III group voted almost unanimously to give five cents to the State Office to cover expenses and fifteen cents to send an officer to Columbus, Ohio.

The all-day annual meeting got under way at ten o'clock in the auditorium with a welcome from C. Reid Ross, Superintendent of Fayetteville schools. Ross was intro-

duced by Beth Bowen, President of the chapter.

Presiding at the morning and afternoon sessions, which were devoted to district reports, was Betty Lou Graham, State F.H.A. Secretary. Mrs. Mary B. Frederick, District Adviser, and Miss Mary Hines Leonard, District Supervisor, were on hand for the meeting.

DISTRICT IV Henderson

Jean Faulkner, Presiding

The annual meeting of District IV met on October 4 in Henderson High School with 668 girls, Advisers and Chapter Mothers present. After the opening ceremony, led by Jean Faulkner, State Vice-President, Mills Chapter conducted an inspirational devotional, followed by Jean Crews from Creedmoor, who beautifully sang "Bless This House." The group was then welcomed to Henderson by Mr. Kessler, Principal, and Sarah Pulley, President of F.H.A. Charlotte Noell from Benhaven, Sylvia Matthews from Sanford, and Leah Wilder from Franklinton assisted with the business of the day.

Miss Daphne Eller, State F.H.A. Adviser, gave a report of the National Convention, which was held in Greenlake, Wisconsin. She told us that 81 members and 20 adults would be allowed to go to the National Convention next year. She also reminded us to look for candidates for the National Officers.

Invitations for the 1953 rally were issued from the Benhaven and Franklinton Chapters.

The group voted to pay 15 cents per member to send delegates to the National Convention in Columbus, Ohio, and five cents to cover increase in national dues.

Mrs. Louise Winslow, District IV Adviser, then talked to us about our national projects and how we could participate in these in our local chapters.

The highlight of the meeting and an especial honor for us was the presence of Miss Marguerite Scruggs, National F.H.A. Adviser, who spoke on "F.H.A. in Focus." She explained our place in the national organization and what we might do to gain new horizons for for F.H.A.

We were also honored to have Mrs. Charlotte Glover from Germany tell us of family life in Germany and how it differed from ours.

Other special guests present were

Miss Catherine T. Dennis, State Supervisor of Home Economics, and Mrs. Sturgess Collins, who led the group in folk songs.

Due to the fact that Chapel Hill and Bethesda Chapters were unable to attend because of polio, the pageant which they were to present was cancelled. Everyone was disappointed to miss such a treat.

After the closing ceremony, lunch, which was served picnic style in the gymnasium, ended a very successful meeting.

DISTRICT V Gibsonville

Carolyn Abernathy, Presiding

The F.H.A. Rally for District V was held at Gibsonville High School, October 11, 1952. Registration began at 10:00 a.m. and at 10:30 Carolyn Abernathy, State President, called the meeting to order. The Ramseur Chapter led the opening ceremony. Devotional was by the Summer School with a solo by Wenda Lou Hodgins. The president recognized Mr. M. C. Freeman, principal of Gibsonville High School, and Barbara Engelbright, Vice-President of the local F.H.A. chapter, who extended a friendly welcome to those attending the Rally. Special guests recognized were Miss Daphne Eller, State F.H.A. Adviser; Mrs. Rebecca Smith, District Adviser; Miss Louise Lowe, the Methods Class for W.C.U.N.C., and Chapter Mothers. Then those F.H.A. members having earned their State, Chapter, and Junior degrees were recognized.

Carolyn Abernathy then introduced the candidates for state songleader and their campaign managers who gave their qualifications. Carolyn called upon Harriet Shelton of High Point, Ollie Welborn of Trinity, and Joe Anne Wright of Ramseur to demonstrate their ability before the group.

A business session followed with reading of the minutes and roll call by Pleasant Garden Chapter and treasurer's report by the president. Miss Eller explained the increase in national dues. The move was made and passed to send an additional five cents per member with national dues and 15 cents per member to send advisers and state officers to national convention. Rules concerning the writing of a F.H.A. song were listed by the president.

The following remaining four candidates for songleader gave their demonstrations: Margaret Monnett



The three leading candidates for song leader from District V smile charmingly for the photographer. They are: Ollie Welborn, Margaret Monnett, and Anne Lawson.

of Pleasant Garden, Annie Jo Lawson of Madison, Wenda Lou Hodgkin of Sumner, and Sara Galyon of Randleman. Voting for the top three candidates was under the direction of Alexander-Wilson and Leaksville Chapters.

Lunch was served picnic style on the school grounds followed by recreation and exchange of ideas of club activities in the gymnasium.

The afternoon session began with the commencement of Annie Jo Lawson, Margaret Monnett and Ollie Welborn as the first three in the morning voting. These candidates demonstrated again and the voting which followed showed Annie Jo Lawson as State Songleader. First alternate, Ollie Welborn; and second alternate, Margaret Monnett.

The guest speaker for the Rally was Mrs. J. Winston Pearce who discussed "The Girl's Responsibilities in the World Today" encouraging us to claim our unused talents, to finish tasks we have begun, and to make our place known in some service. We enjoyed her talk very much.

Monticello Chapter announced 278 members, 28 advisers, and eight guests registered at the Rally. Jamestown chapter extended thanks to all chapters and persons contributing to the success of the Rally, especially Gibsonville for the enjoyable visit to their school. Ramscur led the F.H.A. closing ceremony and the 1952 F.H.A. District V Rally was adjourned.

DISTRICT VI Wingate

Clara Burris, Presiding

Wingate High School, with the Anson-Union Federation assisting, was hostess to the District VI Rally of Future Homemakers of America on November 15. About five hundred members and guests from Anson, Cabarrus, Mecklenburg, Montgomery, Stanley and Union counties attended the Rally.

An excellent concert by the Wingate High School Band was the first feature of the program and received enthusiastic applause from the audience.

Dr. C. C. Burris, President of Wingate Junior College, gave the invocation.

The feature of the morning program was an informal lecture by Mr. Loy Sigmon, Jr., Interior Designer, for Maiden Fabrics, Inc. Combinations of color and texture in the popular periods of decoration were illustrated by materials to show the good and bad effects produced by proper or improper selections. Mr. Sigmon made interior decorating seem so alive and vital that many girls were heard expressing a desire to enter the field as a profession.

The highlight of the afternoon was the Pageant, "Where We Have Been, Where We Are, and Where We Are Going" presented by the Mecklenburg County Chapters. This pageant was especially written for the National Delegates Meeting of F.H.A. at Green Lake, Wisconsin,

this summer and presents the past, present and future of our organization interestingly and amusingly.

Miss Mary Hines Leonard, Assistant State Supervisor, helped plan the Rally and was a platform guest at both sessions. Many Chapter Mothers and Fathers, Honorary Members and friends of F.H.A. attended.

During the lunch hour Miss Terline Holleman met with the Chapter Mothers and Fathers. They discussed the important role they have in F.H.A. and exchanged ideas. They compiled many excellent suggestions which will make the nucleus of a handbook for Chapter Mothers and Fathers which we hope to print in the near future.

At the Advisers meeting held during the lunch hour, Mrs. Idelle Tucker — North Mecklenburg; Mrs. Elizabeth Troutman — Asheboro; Mrs. Kathleen Nicholson — Benton Heights; were nominated as District Advisers for 1953-54.

After an enthusiastic campaign, Evelyn Bruton, of Candor, was elected State Historian. Frances Burris, of Wingate, was elected first alternate and Peggy Adams, of Odell, was elected second alternate.

Clara Burris, State Song Leader of Endy Chapter, presided over the meeting. Mrs. Clarinda A. Britt, Morven Chapter, was Adviser.

DISTRICT VII Mount Airy

Peggy Dunn, Presiding

The District VII annual rally of the Future Homemakers of America met at the Mount Airy High School, October 4, 1952, with the Mt. Airy Chapter acting as hostess under the supervision of Miss Ethel Bailey. Nine hundred and forty-one members, advisers, and Chapter Parents were present.

The Dobson Chapter was in charge of the registration which lasted from ten until ten-thirty.

The program began at ten-thirty with State Historian Peggy Dunn of the Clemmons Chapter, presiding.

After the opening ritual, inspiring devotions were conducted by the Thomasville Chapter.

Betty Gunnell of the Mt. Airy Chapter and Mr. Finch, principal of Mt. Airy High School, extended a hearty welcome to all.

The honor guests which were recognized were: Mrs. R. S. Furgeson, honorary member of the F.H.A.;

Mr. Finch, principal of Mt. Airy High School; Miss Louise Lowe, District Supervisor of the F.H.A.; Miss Ethel Bailey, F.H.A. Adviser at Mt. Airy; and Miss Anne Hall, District Adviser of the F.H.A.

Each Chapter Mother and Father present was recognized and one member from the Chapter pinned a red rose, our F.H.A. flower, on them.

After the minutes and roll call by Acting Secretary Ann Isenhour of Boyden, and the Treasurer's report by Acting Treasurer Jane Bradshaw of Boyden, Emily Atwood of the Clemmons Chapter explained the raise from ten to fifteen cents per member for National Dues. Each Chapter was asked to discuss this matter with their own club and be ready to vote at the Spring Rally which will be held in Raleigh.

Elaine Allen, Mocksville Chapter, explained how the balloting would be carried on for the election of Parliamentarian. Irene Wilhelm, Cleveland Chapter, introduced each candidate and her campaign manager. After their campaign manager told something about them, the candidates told something of their knowledge of parliamentary procedure. Candidates were Mary Berrier, North Davidson, with manager Eva Penry; Regene Moulton, Salisbury, with manager Anne Lawson; and Joe Ann Woosley, South Fork, with manager Sonja Tish.

After the balloting Peggy introduced those who told about the National Projects. The projects explained were: Pen Pals by Alexander County; Families Together, Lexington Chapter; In Other Lands, Spencer Chapter; U. N. Day, Stokes County; F.H.A. Week, Iredell County; U.N.E.S.C.O., Forsyth County; and Program of work, Coolemees, Reeds, and Robert B. Gleen Chapters, and Alexander, Caldwell, Iredell, Stokes, and Wilkes counties.

Miss Lowe told about the National Meeting which is to be held this coming summer. North Carolina can send 81 chapter members and 20 adults this year. The convention will be held in Columbus, Ohio. It was requested that each chapter send in fifteen cents per member to send the state officers to the convention. Any chapter may send delegates and any chapter member may go at her own expense. If the District votes to send the District Adviser, then each Chapter will be participating.

After the announcements, the meeting was adjourned for lunch.

The afternoon session began promptly at two o'clock with a report from the Election Committee. Jo Ann Woosley was elected State Parliamentarian with Regene Moulton, first alternate and Mary Berrier, second alternate.

The group voted to pay fifteen cents per member to send the state officers to the National Convention.

After Peggy told a little of her experiences at Green Lake this past summer, a play, *Where's That Report Card?* was presented by the Boyden Chapter. This proved to be the highlight of the day.

Iredell County was in charge of the Talent Parade and Bobbie Banfield, announcer for the show, began by playing "September Song" on the piano. Wanda Speece, Union Grove, sang "Danny Boy"; Snuff, a recitation, was given by Jo Ann Steele, Stony Point; Scottie Mullis played "Prelude" on the piano; Ann Summers accompanied Winifred Morrow, Ellen Pope, and Ellen Watts as they played two numbers on the cornet as a trio; Ann Souther sang "Old Man River" and Pat Morrison, Taylorsville, ended the parade with the piano solo, "Charge of the Uhlans."

The Courtney Chapter presented the song skit, "Way Up In North Carolina," and two girls from Booneville led in group singing.

A report was given by the Roving Reporter and the Invitation Committee announced that the next District VII F.H.A. Rally would be held at Mineral Springs.

Booneville won the attendance prize of a rose bush presented by Peggy Dunn. They had 27 out of 35 members present with one adviser.

DISTRICT VIII Clyde

La Salle Light, Presiding

Clyde High School was the scene of much excitement on Saturday morning, October 4, as approximately 900 girls from 56 Chapters met to attend their annual District VIII Rally.

During the registration hour an informal music program was presented by several students of Clyde High School. Following the registration La Salle Light, State Parliamentarian, called the meeting to order. Mr. Stanley Livingston, Principal, and Mary Frances McCracken, president of the Clyde Chapter, extended a warm welcome to the large delegation and Ann Dillingham of Barnardsville Chapter gave the response. After an inspiring devotional by Martha Fortune, Brevard, a business meeting was conducted by La Salle Light with Charlotte McDougal of the Rutherfordton-Spindale Chapter and Carolyn Wilkie of the Flat Rock Chapter assisting.

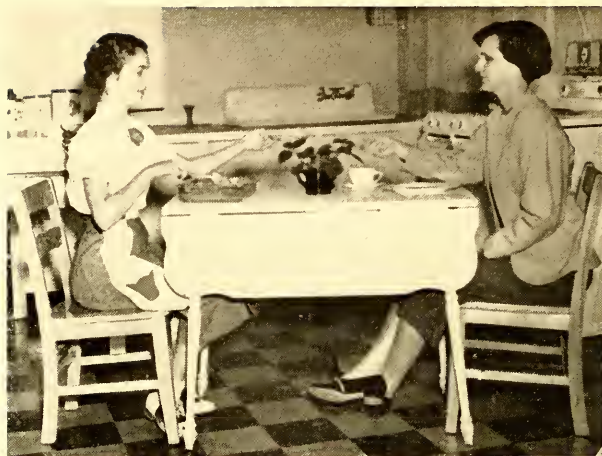
A light note of interest was introduced by Janice Pipes and Gail Hambricks, who led the group in some relaxers.

Virginia Huffman reminded everyone that it was election time and that a good F.H.A.'er votes for the best candidate. It was a difficult (Continued on inside back cover)

Shirley Crotts, member of District VIII planning committee who spoke briefly on the National Convention to be held in Columbus, Ohio, this summer, is shown talking over her comments with some fellow F.H.A. members. Shirley is seated on the right.



Pictures Tell of Chapter Activities



Top row, left to right: Linda Bolick is shown serving her adviser, Mrs. Young (both of Taylorsville chapter) a helping of her state-prize-winning Apple Pan Dowdy. Ann Harris, Historian of Bragtown Chapter, is carrying out her responsibility of keeping the chapter scrap book up to date. Center row: Quin County Federation Meeting. Mrs. Clyde Cole, Chapter Mother at Bartlett Yancey, inspects garments being made by the homemaking class. No, you're not in need of glasses! This is just the way the Beaufort F.H.A. girls looked during F.H.A. initiation. In the circle: A Greek student made happy by having her birthday remembered by F.H.A.'ers. Bottom row: Mr. John Gunn, Chapter Father at Bartlett Yancey. Morganton F.H.A. Chapter gives Christmas party for deaf children.

Quin County Federation Meeting

On September 20, fifty-two advisers and Future Homemakers of America representatives for fourteen chapters in Jones, Duplin, Sampson, Onslow and Pender counties met at the Katy-Did Cottage at Carolina Beach for a day of planning and fun. After a dip in the ocean, a delicious picnic meal was enjoyed by a gang of hungry girls. Then to work on planning for the programs of the Federation, the big event being the spring rally. The officers reported for their respective offices, then everyone participated in the planning. Quite an interesting program was set up for the rally and all chapters were assigned jobs. Everyone had a grand time and gave many thanks to their hostess, Mrs. Kathleen Snyder, adviser of the Warsaw Chapter, for making it possible for them to be at the beach on such a gorgeous fall day. Betty Blanchard, Annette Boyette, Peggy Kornegay, Molly Hipp and Betty Phillips were co-hostesses with Mrs. Snyder. Thanks again, girls, for a wonderful day.

The officers of the Quin County Federation are: President, Alyce Manning, Richlands Chapter; Vice-President, Bert Walton, Jacksonville Chapter; Secretary, Betty Blanchard, Warsaw Chapter; Treasurer, Gwyn Kelly, B. F. Grady Chapter; Reporter, Shirley Britt, B. F. Grady Chapter; Song Leader, Christine Shaw, Richlands Chapter; Parliamentarian, Mildred Tanner, Jacksonville Chapter; Historian, Peggy Grady, B. F. Grady School; Adviser, Mrs. Clara D. Reid.

RECIPE FOR ACQUAINTING NEW MEMBERS

(For Old Members Only)

1. Mix them in at a special meeting.
2. Lighten them with talks about purposes, colors, emblems, etc., given by chapter members.
3. Stir them to action by informing them of F.H.A. activities.
4. Fold in ideas from State and National Meetings.
5. Whip up interest with a special ceremony of pledging and wearing of pledge ribbons.
6. Pour in a pan of F.H.A. meetings, bake, and frost with fun.

Public Relations

How do you make people outside the Chapter better acquainted with F.H.A.? People can become better acquainted through newspapers, radio programs, skits, and just through the individuals themselves.

First, let's take newspapers. Each of you, I know, has a reporter in your Chapter. Some may make their articles very interesting; others dry. Good for you if you have one that's really good! But, if she isn't, don't just look down upon her. Help her; give her some interesting points, talk to the editor and ask him what kinds of articles he likes, have articles in on time, and include all events that your chapter does. Also ask someone like the composition teacher to help her make her things interesting.

To make a meeting or a program different give the emblem ceremony, or a short skit on degrees. It may not only help the public, but maybe many of you members as well. Also you may give such skits to the P.T.A. and other various groups.

Each individual helps people know what the F.H.A. is by her examples. If you are one who likes to help people and in doing so, tell them about your chapter, then good for you; but if you are one who doesn't help other people, then you're no F.H.A. member. So let's remember to tell people about F.H.A., and they might be more willing to help you and your chapter.*

* *Teen Times*

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decision to make, but after a heated campaign, election returns revealed that Garrie Freeman from Rutherfordton-Spindale was chosen State Reporter with Susie Carmichael from Sand Hill and Ann Sillingham from Barnardsville as first and second alternates.

The special feature of the morning session was the talk by Mrs. C. O. Newel, who spoke on "Teen-Age Problems." Her talk dealt mainly with dating, boy-girl relationships and the best methods of solving average teen-age problems.

The lunch hour featured discussion groups on "We Share When We Care" led by members of the different Chapters. Another special attraction was the entertainment by the Blue Ridge Ramblers. A hot lunch was served in the school lunch room, followed by a choice of going to the gymnasium for games or to the auditorium for group singing.

The highlight of the afternoon session was a style show presented by the Canton Chapter through the courtesy of Simplicity Pattern Company and *Seventeen Magazine*. It showed the versatile wardrobe that can be made with only six patterns and a few alterations of each.

Official guests present were: Miss Louise Swann, Assistant Supervisor of Home Economics; Mrs. Lucille Brintnall, District F.H.A. Adviser; and Donald Hips of Canton, who directed games in the gymnasium. Chapter Mothers and other guests were also recognized. The meeting promptly adjourned at 3 o'clock with the closing ritual.

Shown above are a few of the special guests at District III Rally. From left to right are: Mrs. Mary Frederick, District Adviser; Lt. Colonel Wallace M. Hales, Speaker; Miss Mary Hines Leonard, Asst. State Supervisor; Beth Bowen, President of Fayetteville Chapter; McFree Hubbard, Acting Secretary; Betty Lou Graham, Presiding Officer, and Barbara Autry, Acting Parliamentarian.



Future Homemakers of America

CREED

We are the Future Homemakers of America
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope,
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking
Old and precious values.

For we are the builders of homes,
Homes for America's future.
Homes where living will be the expression of everything
That is good and fair.
Homes where truth and love and security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

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And high hope.



"The homes of tomorrow are in
the hands of the youth
of today"

CAROLINE SAYS



Are you willing . . .

To stoop down and consider the needs and desires
of little children;

To remember the weakness and loneliness of people
who are growing old;

To stop asking how many of your friends love you and
ask yourself if you love them enough;

To bear in mind the things that other people have to
bear on their hearts;

To try to understand what those who live in the same
house with you really want, without waiting for them
to tell you;

To trim your lamp so that it will give more light and
less smoke, and carry it in front so that your shadow
will face behind you;

To make a grave for your ugly thoughts and a garden
for your kindly feelings, with the gate open . . .

Are you willing to do these things even for a day?

If so, then you can keep Christmas.

HENRY VAN DYKE.



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Our ways of doing all the everyday things, from the moment we begin a day till it's closed, our entrances and exits, our manner of sitting and rising, speaking, walking, talking, meeting friends, giving orders, doing business, entertaining and being entertained, going here and there about the earth, form the exterior which is all most people ever get of us. There may be pure gold deep down inside, but we can't ask the busy world to stop and mine us to find out. The evidences of its being there had better come to the surface in the "happy way" if we want to be appreciated, to get the most out of living, and to give the most. We owe it to ourselves — and those with whom we travel — to be a pleasure person. Some of the most worthy people in the world go unloved and unappreciated to their graves because of their bad manners. Let us begin to remedy this defect in our notional life, and let us begin the remedy where we begin the defect — in the home.

From "SINGING IN THE RAIN"

By Anne Shonnon Monroe

to the human relationship of love in a home when it says in the fifth chapter of Ephesians, "Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the Church and gave himself for it . . . and the wife see that she reverence her husband." This specific direction for a sacrificial love and respect between husband and wife will go a long way in further strengthening the home we are building on the foundation of Truth, that Truth being Christ, Himself.

Third: SECURITY. We hear a lot today about providing security from a financial standpoint and, of course, that is important in plans of future home builders. But in that kind of security, we are quite limited in our ability to provide for it and guarantee that it is able to stand the tests. But the fundamentals of home building include a kind of security that will stand, though all the world about us crumbles under the pressure of sin and destruction. Again Jesus gives us the answer: "My sheep hear my voice and I know them and they follow

The True Meaning of Our Creed

A devotional by Edythe Fuller, Mills Chapter and presented at the District IV Rally

As Future Homemakers of America, we will pause for a few minutes to give thanks to our Savior who has made our organization a success because of our many prayers. We must continue to give thanks through prayer and ask for the tools that make a happy home life where living will be the expression of everything that is good and fair.

We state in our Creed that we, the Future Homemakers of America, are going to be builders of homes where "truth, love, security and faith" are realities, not dreams. That presents to us a great challenge if we mean it with all our hearts and it is something more than than just the words of a creed that sounds good to us now. So, for our devotional today, suppose we take a few minutes to analyze these four words and see what these essentials of homemaking really are:

First: TRUTH. Jesus, during his mock trial before Pilate made this statement: "To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness

unto the truth. Everyone that is of the truth heareth my voice." Pilate asked, "What is truth?" and left the scene with this question unanswered. However, we need not be left in the position of Pilate today for Jesus answers the question in John 14:6 where he said, "... I am the way, the TRUTH, and the life. ..." And again in his high priestly prayer of John 17, He said to the Father, "... Thy word is TRUTH." So we see that in order to build a home with the first essential mentioned in our creed, we must have as its foundation none other than our Savior, Jesus Christ and His Word, as TRUTH.

Second: LOVE. Here again we meet practically the same requirement for we probably all learned that very short verse in Sunday School as a small child, "God is love." Of course the reference to love in our creed is very probably human love — but a human love patterned after the divine love of the Lord is the only human love that lasts. The Bible gives direction

me: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand." (John 10:27). We cannot hope to build a home in which security is a reality unless we first of all accept from Christ His gift of eternal life and rest in the provisions He makes for His own.

Fourth: FAITH. This is really the key to all the other three basic fundamentals of homebuilders referred to in our great Creed. For it is only as we exercise complete trust and faith in the One who is Truth and Love and who alone can guarantee security that we can even hope to enjoy these things in our individual lives now or in our future homes. "For by grace are ye saved through FAITH: and that not yourselves; it is the gift of God." So we must first admit the truth of the verse in the Bible that says "All have sinned . . ." and then, realizing that includes each one of us, we may repent of our sinful nature, asking God to forgive us and give

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This scene shows the newly slip-covered chair and ottoman. The table by the chair was also purchased and refinished. Those helping were, left to right: Mary Frances Ivey, Betty Jean Clarke, Alma Bullard, Martha Hedgepeth, Ellen Jane Bryon.



Beds were purchased at War Surplus store and refinished. Bed spread flounce was made from nylon parachute. Girls helping are, front of bed: Bonnie Pait; Left to right: Eloise Evers, Christine Deaver, Emma Gryton, Julia Vann Bailier.

Army Surplus Items Used By . . .

BLADENBORO F. H. A'ers

Jeeps, tanks, and trucks, that's what we expected to see on our first visit to the War Surplus Warehouse in Raleigh. What can we use that the Army doesn't need? Yep, that was the favorite question of 113 Bladenboro F. H. A. members.

Do take a journey with us through the warehouse, as it was most exciting. Two chapter members and our adviser arrived at the warehouse. Mr. A. C. Carver greeted us and offered his assistance. We were very grateful to him, as we felt rather lost in our surroundings. I took a quick glance around only to realize that we were ready for a lot of fun, but ready to make that decision—what shall we buy?

From the far corners of the warehouse I could hear—"Look at this, how wonderful, we can use that for curtains." When our list was completed, we found ourselves the proud owners of two hospital beds, a small typewriter table, one odd chair, two secretary chairs, one desk, five ottomans, ten sofa pillows, two parachutes, and three cases of mosquito netting and, oh, I must tell you about the free room! Mr. Carver invited us to visit this room, and he instructed us that all items in this room were available without cost. Imagine that! It was from this room, that we secured six cases of neckties, two lamp shades, and a luggage rack.

The time had come for our bill to be added and we were really shaky, as our chapter budget had allowed us only \$70.00 for cottage improvements. We reluctantly accepted the bill, but we found ourselves rejoicing in that we had spent only \$28.00.

Luck was really falling our way, as the county moved the merchandise to Bladenboro. Guess what? The county Board of Education reimbursed us \$10.00 on the amount we had spent. We were really in high spirits, as that left us \$52.00 to purchase re-upholstering supplies and other necessary items.

The refinishing, slip-covering, and re-upholstering were heaps of fun. I must tell you how we used the mosquito netting and parachutes. The nylon parachutes were used for flounces on the beds we refinished. The mosquito netting made lovely bedroom curtains. The lamp shades even found a place in our new home, as they were used for wall flower containers. The free gift that we enjoyed most was the six cases of neckties and you should see our rug that we braided using the ties.

The secretaries chairs made wonderful fire-side chairs. The ottomans, desk, and table completed the vacant spots in our home.

Our task is now completed, and we are truly thrilled with our much

F.H.A. IN FOCUS

"F. H. A. In Focus" has been revised. Have you been wondering what to do with those attractive pamphlets? They were designed for the purpose of publicizing F. H. A. and interpreting the organization to interested people.

How To Use F.H.A. in Focus

Hand copies to:

1. Civic Club members when you appear on their programs
2. F. H. A. members
3. Prospective F. H. A. members
4. Businessmen in town
5. People attending a special F. H. A. program or banquet
6. Radio and newspaper people
7. People viewing an F. H. A. exhibit
8. Chapter parents
9. Nearby schools which don't have F. H. A.
10. Legislators
11. Anyone you ask to appear on an F. H. A. program.

Additional copies may be ordered from the National office for one cent each. Be sure to use your "F.H.A. in Focus" whenever possible.

improved department. Thanks to war surplus supplies, as we are not in the red but have a balance of \$11.36 to spend on other needs.

Careers In Homemaking

Many of you are approaching the time in your high school career when you have to make one of the most important decisions of your life — what to do after you graduate. There are many opportunities awaiting you. Why not choose a career in home economics. In the field of home economics, as never before, new doors are being opened. Although some of these fields require a B.S. degree with a major in home economics from an accredited college or university, there are many opportunities awaiting a person who knows what he wants and who is willing to work from the ground floor up.

Teaching

Probably the most inspiring and rewarding of all homemaking careers is the one with which you are most familiar — teaching. What is more wonderful than helping a group of pupils gain experiences which serve as a means of meeting the day by day needs of home and family living? A teacher should have a keen understanding of the relationship of personal development to everyday living, and the contributions that these make to home and society. She must have an understanding of youth and a desire to provide learning experiences which will help them meet the problems of daily living.

The teaching profession is very versatile in that it becomes a background and stepping-stone for other opportunities. Some examples are: College teaching; supervisor; local and federal government personnel and counselors; demonstrators; or any specialized field discussed later in this article.

To be a teacher requires a B.S. degree from any accredited college or university and a love for youth!

Journalism

Journalism is a profession in which job opportunities are on the up and up. More and more people are anxious to gain information on family relations, new labor saving devices, ideas and fashions in clothing, foods, decoration and even home management. "Journalism" may include newspapers, maga-

zines, radio, television, advertising, publicity, and all ways of reaching the public.

This profession requires quick intelligence, a keen curiosity, interest in people, creative instinct, and a "know-how" with words.

Anyone aiming for a career in journalism will need varied experiences before reaching the top, such as working on a newspaper, radio station, advertising departments — anything that helps in meeting the public.

Clothing

Is clothing your big interest now? If you have a knack for making something out of nothing, for taking an ordinary garment and giving it that certain flair, then you may have a talent for the clothing field. Anne Fogarty, talented young designer, who introduced wasp waists and crinoline petticoats actually began designing as a young girl when she transformed hand-me-downs from that cast-off look into smart costumes. Some of the opportunities for clothing majors are teaching; selling; designing; research; news writing.

Decorating

The urge to paint up and fix up, to try something new and different, to combine colors, may indicate you have the necessary requirements for the field of decorating. Again, the sky is the limit if you want to apply yourself.

This field requires being able to analyze the public's likes and dislikes, to have a gift for trying the unusual, and to be patient in climbing to the top. There is keen competition in decorating, and even the most famous decorators have had wide and varied experiences, not all of them successful.

To gain experience, and to decide if you really are interested in decorating, why not work in a furniture or department store on Saturdays or during the summer, or even decorate your room as a home project. Use every chance to learn more about color, design, room arrangement, textiles, and art principles.

Opportunities in this field are

usually in department and furniture store sales; textile or furniture designs; home decorators; writing; or teaching.

Child Care

Jobs in the expanding field of child care vary from baby-sitting to testing toys in a scientific lab. Clothing, feeding, amusing, guiding and understanding children provides almost unlimited possibilities. Every experience, whether it be dressing a neighbor's child or working in a nursery school will be just one more step up the ladder to success.

To help you decide if you really want to work in this field, ask yourself if you really like children, if you have the patience and gentleness required to listen to children hour after hour, to guide without bossing, and to be sympathetic to their whims. If you make good in this field, the sky is your limit!

Home Management

If you have an air for efficiency and economy, why not try home management? This phase of home economics requires a love for facts and figures, and a yen to improve and change. With this training and experience, one may become a housing consultant; budget expert; appliance demonstrator; government worker, with other fields opening.

Foods

If you find food fascinating, if you love to putter around in the kitchen and plan family meals, then you would probably find enjoyment in food beyond the mere eating. The science of nutrition and food go hand in hand, however, and you have to know how to put your knowledge to work for people.

With the proper training in foods, one may become a dietitian, nutritionist, demonstrator, sales person, restaurant manager. Television and journalism also offer many possibilities.

Business

Probably the most challenging and untried is the business field. If you have a pioneering spirit, lots of curiosity, and determination to improve what has already been tried, then you're going places. The climb may be slow and you may fall down and have to begin again,

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Above is one way in which Haywood County F.H.A.'ers modeled evening dress at their County rally. Left to right: Barbara Chase, Waynesville; Lydia West, Bethel; Elizabeth Ann Crawford, Crabtree-Ironduff; Nell Scruggs, Waynesville.



Cloydia Carstarphen is seen checking the hem of Peggy McClain's evening dress as they prepare for a fashion show at Lee Edwards High.

Something unexpected always makes a hit. Mikell McGivis and Anne Woodward from Lee Edwards modeled pedal pushers, and for a comic touch they added fancy lace garters with their names stamped on them.

When Spring Comes the Future Homemakers turn to thoughts of New Clothes and . . .

FASHION SHOWS

Giving a fashion show is fun and very worthwhile. It not only entertains friends and family members, it gives them an opportunity to admire the garments so carefully made in homemaking classes. A fashion show also provides an excellent chance for the participants to gain stage presence, poise and self confidence. It can be a glamorous method of recruiting prospective F.H.A. members and an easy way to make money for chapter projects.

A successful fashion show, however, is no accident. Every step must be carefully planned. The ultimate aim should be a smooth running show, attractively presented, and geared to the audience's interests.

The first rule is to choose a definite theme and catchy title. Themes may be built around hobbies, sports, good books, favorite tunes, current events, holidays, etc. The latest fashion magazines always have timely suggestions.

Another rule is to choose a good narrator with a pleasing voice and a conversational style and one who can make lively comments on the models and keep things moving.

A very important must is emphasis on good grooming and careful choosing of accessories. A final check should be given the models to see that no hems sag or slips show, that the hair is neatly arranged and shoes are shined.



A clever theme is a television show. Talent can be used between groupings of models to add interest and variety. Shown here are left to right: Jean Harrelson, Peggy McClain, Shirley Smith and Margaret Jarman from Lee Edwards High.

Helps For *Wilted* Chapters

In Memoriam

Does your chapter have that tired, run down spirit that comes to so many organizations just after Christmas and just before spring?

Keeping the interest and enthusiasm of all members is not as easy as it sounds. Maybe these suggestions will help.

1. See that programs are well planned with the needs and interests of the members in mind. An outside speaker will usually create enthusiasm.

2. Keep members informed of local and state plans and activities. An attractive bulletin board or an F. H. A. nook with *Teen Times* and *Newsletters* displayed gives members an opportunity to "browse."

3. Have as many members as possible working on activities, projects and programs. The adviser should give support and be informed, and be able to give directions, but leave the planning and carrying out of the activities to the initiative of the members and officers.

4. Have meetings at a definite time when all will know about it. Publicize the time of each meeting and the program planned. Announce any outside speaker.

5. Maybe it's time to have a party or social for your parents. Have you tried a Daddy-Date night? Or a family night, inviting the entire family

to a specially planned program with games for all ages and refreshments afterwards?

6. Hold a social of some nature for the eighth grade girls.

7. Have a skating party and invite F. F. A. boys.

8. Begin planning for that officer leadership training workshop. Organize capable committees and set up activities which will strengthen next year's program and renew energy for the remainder of this year.

9. Begin a campaign to send a chapter officer or member to the National Convention in Columbus, Ohio, in July.

10. Plan some special publicity for your chapter. If you aren't doing anything special, get busy! Have you thought of a career day for the seniors, inviting seniors from surrounding schools, with interesting personalities to speak on different professions?

11. A stimulating project may be just the thing! A clean-up campaign with the F. H. A. sponsoring it, or helping a displaced family, or a visit to the orphanage to play with the children.

12. One chapter decided to seriously study parliamentary procedure and carry out the rules of order in every meeting, whether in F. H. A. or some other organization. And it was just what the doctor ordered!



The sudden death of Dr. Clyde A. Erwin, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, brought sadness to Future Homemakers and friends everywhere.

Dr. Erwin, known nationally for his interest in vocational education, was among the first to be selected for honorary membership in the North Carolina Association of F.H.A.

North Carolina F.H.A.'ers. have lost a friend and an ardent supporter. Those of us who have worked with him will always cherish the warm spirit and helpful advice he so freely gave.

Hearts were again saddened at the death of Mrs. Erwin, who died shortly after her husband. Mrs. Erwin's helpful and stimulating influence will be greatly missed. Mrs. Erwin attended many of our state conventions and was always present with her warm smile, and a word of welcome.

F.H.A. STATE CONVENTION

The State Convention will be held in the Raleigh Memorial Auditorium, May 2, 1953. Many plans are being made to have the best State Convention ever! You will soon receive more definite information concerning the meeting.

COVER PICTURE

Betsy Hoy, president of the Hugh Morson Chapter of Future Homemakers, is shown presenting Dr. Charles F. Carroll, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, the revised issue of "F.H.A. in Focus."

CAMP

White Lake Camp will again be open for F. H. A. members from May 25 to June 6. Begin making plans now to attend one of these weeks. The schools getting out early should apply for May 25, leaving the last week for schools closing later. More definite information will be sent you later.

NATIONAL CONVENTION COLUMBUS, OHIO, JULY 2-8

Is your chapter sending one or more representatives to the National F. H. A. Convention in Columbus, Ohio, July 2-8? North Carolina is allotted 80 members and 21 adults. Let's fill that quota! Please send the names of those planning to go to Miss Daphne Eller, State F. H. A. Adviser, Education Building, Raleigh, by April 1.

THE TRUE MEANING

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to us that wonderful salvation that He refers to when He said "... ye are saved through faith. . . ." He even gives the faith with which to believe Him for salvation, and salvation is simply accepting Jesus as our Savior and yielding our lives and our futures in His direction. Then we can trust him with that faith to provide in our individual hearts and in our future homes Truth and Love, Security and Faith. Even our Creed challenges us to early take our stand with that great character of the Old Testament, Joshua, who took a firm stand for the Lord when he said, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." He threw out the challenge to the Israelites then that is ours today: "Choose ye this day whom ye will serve."

The Best Part of a Party

Are you pulling hair because you can't dream up some "different" games for your party? Do you have trouble getting all your guests to join in the fun? Is there always that slump in enthusiasm? Maybe these suggestions will help you plan the best party of the year.

Plan an ice breaker to get things going from the moment the first guest arrives. If you have a piano, ask a friend to be on hand early to start the gang singing. Or use a record player and specially picked records to draw the crowd together.

"Who's that Under the Sack?" is an excellent one to get everyone into the swing of things. Everyone who enters is given a paper sack, a card, a pencil and a slip of paper with a number on it. The players pin the numbers on, tear eye-holes in the sacks and pin the sacks over their heads, then begin to hunt for people that they know. When the player finds a friend, he writes the name and number on the card—but he doesn't let anyone find out who he is! The one getting the most names wins.

"Ping-pong Basketball" will get any party rolling. Place a waste basket at one end of the room and draw a line approximately 10 feet away. Give the guest a ping-pong ball. Each player has five shots at a time; each "basket" counts one; first player to get 10 wins. (Of course, you will have to rearrange the furniture to avoid knocking over any of Mother's prize possessions.)

A perfect dancing game for spe-

cial parties is the "Lemon Drop Dance." Each couple gets a lemon which they must balance between their foreheads while they dance—to make it more fun, the dance tempo could be changed from a slow waltz to a fast jitterbug or shag. The last couple to hang onto their lemon wins a prize. (Cellophane wrapped popcorn balls may be substituted for lemons.)

A nutty-but-fun dancing game is Balloon Smash. Each couple gets an inflated balloon, which the boy ties to his ankle. The idea is to burst the other couples' balloons while dancing, but keep your own intact.

Have you tried a scavenger hunt? Have everyone gather at your house in comfortable, not best, clothes. Divide the guests into hunting teams—if it's a date affair send them out in couples or foursomes; or place all the girls' names in a box and let the boys draw partners; or have each girl place one shoe in a pile and let the boys scramble for one—the girl who has the matching one is his partner.

Then pass out the lists. Give each team an identical list of the craziest but possible-to-find items you can think of. A kelly green tie, a baby rattle, a copy of last year's phone book, for example. Add a little seasonal flavor by asking them to bring back a Easter egg or a rabbit.

Have a definite time to return. It's a good idea to give a certain area in which to look. Check each team's haul and give the winners their prizes.

Degrees of Achievement . . .

. . . Recommendations

One cold day last March, twenty-two F.H.A. girls, advisers, and the state adviser met in the Rocky Mount homemaking department to evaluate fifty-seven applications for state homemakers degrees. The group divided into small committees and read through the applications and made certain recommendations. Then the entire group listened to the summary of each application and the recommendations submitted. After several hours of careful study and analysis, forty-two applications were accepted.

The responsibility of having to make these decisions was deeply felt by everyone present and several recommendations were submitted for making the job this year a little easier.

As you work for your State Homemaker Degree this year, please follow these instructions carefully because they will serve as a guide for the next state degree committee.

1. A candidate for the State Homemaker degree must secure a form of Declaration of Intention from the State office which must be appropriately signed and returned to this office by November 15.

2. A clear, definite goal should be set up for each purpose as nearly as possible with a well-laid plan for achieving each goal.

3. Do not elaborate on projects done in other clubs or organizations. Remember you are working for a degree in F.H.A.

4. Include, except where absolutely necessary and required, only activities engaged in while working for the State degree.

5. Give in detailed form the progress shown while working for the State degree. This is the only way the committee receives a picture of your growth.

6. Be sure that the applicant has done sufficient work for every standard.

7. Have proper signatures and dates required.

8. The completed application form must be in the State office on or before March 15.

The chapters which served on the evaluation committee were: Red Oak, Spring Hope, Rocky Mount, Scotland Neck, and Elm City.

The Ronda Chapter has grown from a very small chapter to a strong, enthusiastic one. They have done this by well planned programs and capable officers to keep activities going all year long.



Chapter Chatter

SATURDAY—Family Day

1. Fixed one or all meals for the family.
2. Planted red rose at home or made plans for planting.
3. Accepted some new home responsibilities.

The **Bath Chapter** of Future Homemakers of America had an exhibit at the Beaufort County Fair and won the first prize of \$25.

The idea of this exhibit was, that these two future homemakers, as they travel down the road to the homes of tomorrow, must go through all these steps to have a happy and complete home.

Winecoff's Future Homemakers honored new members of the organization at a social.

The courtesy was held in the Home Economics department with Mrs. Miller, adviser, greeting the guests.

Games were played and prizes were awarded the winners.

Punch and cookies were served.

The chapter now has a membership of 76.

F.H.A. girls from the **Meadow, Benson, Four Oaks, Selma and Glendale** schools attended the annual meeting of the Fourth District of the North Carolina Association of Future Homemakers of America in Henderson last Saturday.

A teacher from each of the schools accompanied the girls.

More than 500 girls and their advisers, representing 50 schools, were present at the District Rally.

The **Mount Holly** girls of the Future Homemakers of America organization have had more honors heaped upon them.

The local girls rode on the Red Cross float in the Safety Parade in the Spindel City and demonstrated the various ways to roll and wrap bandages. The float won first prize in the Parade, winning out over the 20 other floats entered.

Two different scenes were depicted on the float. The first portrayed an automobile accident and the students demonstrated what to do in case of an auto accident on the highway, while the second was a classroom scene in which the students demonstrated the various bandages.

The F.H.A. girls who participated in the event were: Margaret Allen, Jo Ann Edwards, Harriett Lee, Barbara Huffman, Pat Huffstetter, Peggie Greene, Frances Hamilton, Kay Warren, and Sharon Herring. Others were: Jane Stove, Carolyn Lee, Jerry Harris, and Tommy Lee.

Most of the F.H.A. members here have completed the standard 20-hour first aid course, the two purposes of which are to do the right thing at the right time and to learn to prevent accidents.

The parade was witnessed by more than 15,000 persons in Gastonia.

First prize in the event is an 18-inch loving cup, which will be put on display at the high school in the near future.

Laurel Hill Chapter organized early in the year and now has a total of forty-three members. One of its first activities was presenting a short skit in the school auditorium on Friday, October 24, in observation of United Nations Day. It was entitled "The United Nations and Grandma's Ice Box" and was taken from the October issue of *Teen Times*. It brought out the purposes and high ideals that all free people hope to achieve through this fine organization. The pro-

gram was opened with the United Nations' Hymn sung by Barbara Edwards, Martha Coleman, Calton Gibson, and Jimmy Bunch, and closed with a prayer. Those taking part in the program were Shirley Tyner, Mildred Sampson, Nancy Gibson, Jackie Gibson, Norma Goudie, and Margaret English.

The **Benvenue** Chapter has been using the scale, "How does your chapter rate?" to help in planning activities. One of the 20 items listed is to report activities of the chapter. They are sharing their F.H.A. Week activities.

On Sunday we in a group attended Calvary Baptist Church, as a duet sang two hymns, and the F.H.A. and our adviser were recognized by the minister.

Monday — the upstairs hall bulletin board was fixed appropriately and photos of our initiation and the making of our float were displayed.

Tuesday — The club carried fruits and a program of hymns was sung to both white and colored people at the Nash County Home for the aged. They acted as though they enjoyed it immensely.

Wednesday — The girls assembled and gave the Home Economics Room a thorough cleaning.

Thursday — each girl fixed at least one family meal and said special grace.

Friday — We had ten cakes baked by the girls. We had one pretty birthday cake in the center with the appropriate number of candles on it. At one end of the table we had fruit punch served. At the other end, cake was served. The Home Economics Room was decorated attractively with burning tapers adding the right note. All high school faculty were invited and two boys who had helped us on our float in the Harvest Festival, which won 2nd place. All F.H.A. girls attended the party.

Saturday — all girls did extra special work around their home for their parents.

Boonville Chapter observed National F.H.A. Week in the following manner:

Sunday, all members sat with their families in church.

Monday, some of the members gave a radio program over WIFM in Elkin. The members taking part in the program were: Wilma Moxley told the purpose of the program; Martha Moxley said our F.H.A. creed and described our emblem; Shirley Williams described our club colors and flower; Eunice Brown recited the 8 purposes of F.H.A.; Aladene Stinson announced our schedule of this week and how our Boonville chapter is to observe National F.H.A. week.

Tuesday, we had lots of fun initiating our new members. There were 25 new members.

Wednesday, we had a table reserved at our school cafeteria for all members, our adviser, Mrs. Anita Reece, and our club mother, Mrs. Graham Stinson. There was a banquet of red roses in the center of the table and the F.H.A. letters stood out very pretty on the white table cloth. It was extremely pretty and we certainly enjoyed it.

Thursday, was publicity day. We had an article in the *Yadkin Ripple* about our activities. A red rose was pinned on each high school teacher.

Friday, every F.H.A. member enjoyed doing good deeds at school.

Saturday, all members did good deeds at home by making the family happier. All members of the faculty, our adviser, our club mother, and other stu-

Richlands F.H.A.'ers Have Busy Fall. To begin the year, Barbara Jean Brown, local club president, attended a planning meeting in Kenansville to plan for the District II Rally.

Barbara Jean Brown, Alyce Manning, Quin-County President, and Mrs. Clara Reid, our adviser, met at Carolina Beach with other advisers and officers of the Quin-County Organization to plan for our Quin-County Rally to be held in March.

In October we initiated 50 new members.

Mrs. Reid, 22 F.H.A. girls, and 2 chapter mothers attended the District II Rally at Kenansville. Alyce Manning took charge of the election that day.

In October we elected our officers for the school year. Our vice-president steps up into presidency and doesn't have to be voted on. The old officers continue with their duties until the new ones are elected.

On October 24, each class club gave a program to their group on United Nations. Various materials on United Nations were displayed in the classroom, including the flags which represent the 60 nation members, and the United Nations flag that we made last year.

On Tuesday before F.H.A. Week began on Sunday, we gave a chapel program presenting the Emblem Service and giving two girls chapter degrees in the degree service. We feel that this was good and started everyone to thinking more about F.H.A.

During F.H.A. Week this was our program:

SUNDAY—Church Day

1. Every member was urged to attend Church and Sunday School.
2. To find out how F.H.A. may be of help to the Church.

MONDAY—Publicity Day

1. Got story to newspaper.
2. Put up posters and began wearing F.H.A. badges.

TUESDAY—Fun-D Day

1. Had a white elephant sale in the home economics classroom before school and at lunch.
2. Concentrated on our money making projects:

- a. sold flavoring
- b. sold greeting cards

WEDNESDAY—Courtesy Day

1. Put slogans on each high school blackboard.
2. Got money off for Korean gift package.

THURSDAY—Community Day

1. Brought to school outgrown clothes for needy.
2. Offered help to Civil Defense.

FRIDAY—Fun and Achievement Night
1. F.H.A. members exhibited some of their work.

2. Parents and interested persons invited to school that night 7:30 to 8:30.
3. Had short program telling of our purposes and achievements and afterwards had games, singing, and refreshments.

dents worked very nicely to help us observe National F.H.A. Week.

On September 25 the officers of Pleasant Garden Chapter and their advisers went to Bessemer School to help organize a F.H.A. chapter there. Miss Forward, our adviser, discussed briefly the importance of a F.H.A. chapter and the different advantages and aspects of such a chapter. They each officer told what her duty in the chapter was, and some activities of the chapter. Miss Forward gave the Bessemer girls hints on how to get a chapter started and to arouse enthusiasm. We believe we were a big help to them, and as officers, we were inspired to do our best by emphasizing just how important each girl's contribution is.

On October 11, we attended the District V Rally at Gibsonville School. This Rally was a very exciting one for us because we had a candidate for state song-leader. She was Margaret Monnett. Although Margaret did not win first, we were very proud of her because she won second alternate.

Some things we have done to inspire members in our chapter are: get-together swimming party at first of school, the giving of a duty to as many members as possible, the making of a yearbook showing all our plans for the year to be given to each member, the starting of another F.H.A. chapter at another school, making all plans for the year at the beginning of the year and running a candidate for state officer. These have all seemed to add interest to our organization.

The South Edgecombe Chapter has recently had a bazaar and Brunswick stew supper. The supper was held in the school lunch room and the bazaar in the Home Economics department.

At the bazaar were sold various items such as: hand-made dolls and pot holders, attractive aprons and roll covers, and delicious cakes and candies.

The Stanly Chapter observed National F.H.A. Week in many ways. On Monday posters were placed over the school telling of the F.H.A. Club and its activities. On Tuesday a display was placed in the lobby of our school. Cakes, cookies, and candy were the interests on Wednesday. A program over the Public Communication System in our school was presented by the F.H.A. members on Thursday morning. Thursday afternoon the F.H.A. officers of the Dallas Chapter came and talked to the Stanly officers about their plans for the year and ways of raising money. The display was left out in the lobby all week for the interest of the pupils, visitors and faculty. Many people learned the work of the F.H.A. Club.

The Kernersville Chapter was saddened by the death of the agriculture teacher, Mr. Entrekin, who was killed in an automobile accident November 30. Instead of the usual Christmas party for the F.F.A. boys, they decided to contribute a gift of money to the Entrekin children. The F.F.A. boys joined in the project and to date \$77.00 has been contributed.

The Cool Spring Chapter has really worked during the year. First they had a food stand at the annual F.F.A. District Field Day which was held at their school. Next they had a rummage sale. With the money from both projects, the club members painted the living room

and dining room of the Home Economics Building. They also had the couch re-upholstered. The third year girls are going to recover the chairs, make some wastebaskets, and lamps. One member painted a picture to go over the fireplace. They are proud of their department, as they should be.

When Iredell County had its annual fair, the F.H.A. Chapter entered a booth, "What Hands Can do." This was a bedroom in which everything was home-made. Even the bed was made by the F.F.A. Club. The booth won second prize and thirty-five dollars.

On the fourth of October nine of our forty-five members with our adviser and Chapter Mother went to Mount Airy to the District Rally. They really enjoyed it.

Plans are being made for several projects to be done this coming year.

Red Springs Future Homemakers of America, under the sponsorship of Mrs. Ben Stanton, home economics teacher, have been busy during the first two months of school this year. They have elected officers, participated in a District Meeting, and made plans for the celebration of F.H.A. Week.

Officers of the F.H.A. include Margie Humphrey, president; Gale Simpson, vice-president and program chairman; Betsey Watson, secretary; Audrey Taylor, treasurer; Rosalyn Gibson, reporter; Sue Stubbs, parliamentary; Dawn Simpson, historian; Joyce Russell, song leader; Nola Mac Owens, social chairman; Margaret McPhaulm, food chairman.

At the District Rally of the F.H.A., held in Fayetteville, the Red Springs Chapter had charge of the devotional. Margie Humphrey read the scripture; Sue Stubbs led the prayer; the three Russell girls, Peggy, Joyce, and Becky, sang in three parts "Cleanse Me." One of the speeches which the girls said they enjoyed most was "Home Life in Italy," delivered by Lt. Col. Wallace M. Hale of Fort Bragg.

The chapter observed National F.H.A. Week by participating in an activity every day. The members had a busy week but one that made them remembered as an energetic group.

Gale Simpson, vice-president of Red Springs Chapter, presented a panel on the various views of the two candidates for president of the United States at a chapter meeting. In the panel it was brought out that Future Homemakers must be good voters and that the citizens of this community be urged to be good "nation-makers" by voting.

Morehead Future Homemakers sponsored a sock dance at the recreation center recently. Admission to this dance was determined by the length of the foot. Charges were two cents an inch. Shoes were checked at the door and everyone was required to dance in stocking feet. The prizes for the largest feet went to Jerry Willis and Barbara Oglesby. For the smallest feet, Bobby Robinson and Harriet Willis copped the honors. Adelaide Guthrie and Claude Wade won the top contest.

The officers of the F.H.A. met at the home of the president, Helen Pipkin. The program for the new year was discussed. Planned for this year are rallies, dances, projects and degrees for members. After the meeting, soft drinks, cookies, mints and nuts were served.

Shelby members are planning to have a rummage sale for which all the girls are donating old clothes to be sold. Chapter Mothers and the F.H.A. girls are using a store up town in Shelby for selling all sizes of clothes and jewelry.

At the Halloween Carnival, held in Shelby High School, the Future Homemakers had a country store at which various F.H.A. girls sold candy, cookies, punch, and pop corn. This booth was run all during the carnival, each girl having a chance to help with the work. All the articles sold were made by the F.H.A. girls.

Using green and wine as the predominating colors, the chapter chose as their project redecorating the teachers' lounge. The girls made an attractive dressing table cover out of wine and green taffeta, re-upholstered the furniture, cleaned the rug, waxed the floor, and made wine taffeta drapes with a green sway. Also, there was added to the room an attractive waste paper basket, to match the drapes and dressing table, three lamps, and a magazine rack.

When the work was completed, the girls entertained at an open house for the faculty members. Halloween decorations were carried out at the refreshment table. Welcoming the guests were Dot Dover, Sarah Lee Garver, and Doris Tate. Presiding at the tea table were Carolyn Biggerstaff and Bobbie Guthrie. Helping to entertain were Burnie Borders, Christine Davis, Carolyn Kidd, Margie Killian, Helen Spangler, and Flora Brendell.

At the Cleveland County Fair several girls entered exhibits to be judged and inspected. There were many exhibits entered but four of the Shelby High F.H.A. girls came out in the top list. Shirley Mitchell won 1st prize on her rug; Christen Davis, 1st prize on jelly; Sarah Farrow, 2nd prize on apple jelly; and Janice Sarratt, 2nd prize on her pear preserves.

At the Executive Board meeting of the Stedman Chapter we decided that we had been a little selfish in our projects for the benefit of others, and in carrying out our purposes to the fullest. In thinking over something that our chapter could do in the betterment of community life, we found that one of our former members was in a local hospital and had been there for six months.

It was decided in our September meeting that each member was to contribute a gift to be taken out to Betty Laverne Faircloth. On the appointed day, we were proud to load around ninety-six gifts into cars and then with several members and our adviser, Mrs. Mary Frederick, we set out as a little sunshine band to visit Betty.

We had a most enjoyable visit, for within our hearts there was a glow of sunshine because we had done something for someone else and our hearts were made glad by her joy at our coming.

National F.H.A. Week was observed by Home Economics Students all over America and Hallsboro joined the others in celebrating the occasion. They carried out special activities each day in observation of F.H.A. Week. Chapter members are also promoting international goodwill through observance of World Christmas Festival.

Henderson Chapter was host to 500 high school girls and their sponsors, representing 50 schools, on October 4, for

the annual meeting of the fourth district of North Carolina Association of Future Homemakers of America.

Speakers for the program were people who are very outstanding in the home-making field.

After the program, luncheon was served in the high school gym.

Stage decorations were planned by the Henderson Chapter. Attractive and artistic arrangements of red roses were displayed on the stage with a background formed by an elaborate arrangement of pine.

Miss Future Homemakers held their first call meeting on September 10, 1952. Officers were elected as follows: President, Jetta Godfrey; Parliamentarian, Virginia Bass; Historian, Mary Pusey; Secretary, Joyce Knott; Reporter, Rebecca, Glickman; Treasurer, Edith Fuller; Pianist, Barbara Medlin; and Song Leader, Nancy Gordon. Installation of officers is planned in the near future.

This year, under the direction of Mrs. Leonard, monthly meetings will be held at the homes of various members. F.H.A. members were in charge of the Chapel Program September 18. Since this was initiation week for the new members, they were the topic of the program.

Boyden Chapter passes on a money making idea. Copy schedules to be given Boyden High School students on the opening day of school proved to be a new and interesting money making idea for our F.H.A. chapter. Sixteen girls spent sixty-four hours and twenty minutes away from their late summer activities to help prepare student schedule cards for this year and to earn over twenty dollars for the chapter treasury. Regene Moulton, vice-president of the chapter, called the girls who were in town. Miss Anne Hall, F.H.A. adviser, assisted the girls. The girls enjoyed the work which really proved to be an easy money making idea. Try it in your club!!!

Approximately 20 parents attended the first meeting of the Home Economics Council held in the Home Economics

The Weldon Chapter entertained their parents at a Christmas tea in the Home Economics department. The department was decorated with Christmas arrangements. Shown here are Jane Milliken pouring punch for Mrs. Mary Davis Faison, home-making teacher and Faye Pierce serving coffee to Mrs. J. W. Brown. Chapter mother. A very special guest was Miss Catherine T. Dennis, State Supervisor of Home Economics Education. Approximately 150 guests called during the afternoon.

Lab at Boyden High School. The Council is composed of the students taking home economics, interested parents, and teachers in the department.

Miss Anne Hall, head of the department, presided over the meeting, which she opened by explaining the work of the department and the council.

Representatives from the various classes reported on what they had been doing.

A feature from the second year class was the report by Jimmie Don Williams, one of the five boys taking the course. Jimmie Don said that they were interested in cooking and sewing because they thought it would help them when they joined the Navy, for some of them aspired to be cooks. Then too they would know how to sew their buttons on. Seriously, he said, he thought it would be fine to have a full class of boys so that they could do the things boys especially wanted to do.

Nancy Carson and Shirley Bailey reported for third year students. Jean Cauble and Ann Isenhower, seniors, and the only two taking fourth year work, told of their work in preparing meals and the extra work they are doing in helping with the F.H.A.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Coleman, who attended the District Rally with their daughter Regene, told the council that they were amazed at the number of girls in attendance and at the poise with which the girls spoke before an audience of 900 people. They think that more adults should support the work of F.H.A.

Mrs. Sam Swartz, mother of Sarah Swartz, praised the F.H.A. camp held each year in June. She said that Sarah made many friends there, a few of whom she will correspond with.

The Franklin Chapter, Surry County, observed United Nations Day in a most impressive manner. On October 24, some of the students presented a play entitled, *United Nations and Grandma's Old Ice Box*, which was taken from *Teen Times*. The students taking part were: Nancy Miller, Dorothy Beasley,

Joyce Hill, Nancy Hooker, Nelda Jean Chappell, Jewell Holder, and Iris Nichols, program chairman, with the help of Miss Coltrane, chapter advisor. Also an attractive bulletin board on United Nations was arranged in the high school building.

The Franklin Chapter entered an exhibit in the Greater Mount Airy Fair, entitled "A New Look For Old Furniture." The steps were shown of making an old upholstered chair into a modern chair. The exhibit won first prize of seventy-five dollars in competition with five other schools in Surry County. The prize money will be used in the improvement of the department.

Members of the F.H.A. entertained members of the faculty and parents to a "come as you are" tea from 3:15 until 5:30 on Thursday, November 6, 1952, in the Home Economics room. This was one of the things the chapter did to celebrate National F.H.A. Week. Officers of the chapter greeted the guests, presided at the register and served spiced tea, attractive sandwiches and cookies which were prepared by F.H.A. members. The tea table was attractively decorated with a centerpiece of fruits, nuts, colored leaves and candles.

CAREERS IN HOMEMAKING

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but every experience will help each step become a little easier. Research, product demonstration, advertising, and home service are just a few of the many openings. Why not decide to make a place for yourself in the business world?

Family Life

The most popular of all the careers in home economics, and the one to which we all aspire, is being a wife and mother. Although this career does not require formal training, every course in homemaking helps one more easily meet the day by day problems. A college education presents many opportunities in this field, such as Family-life Consultant; counselor; social worker; psychology fields; church and charitable organizations; journalism.

For further information on these and other careers in home economics, consult your homemaking teacher or write to American Home Economics Association, 1600 Twentieth Street, N. W., Washington 9, D. C., who will send you pamphlets on any or all of these careers.



Future Homemakers of America

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We are the Future Homemakers of America
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope,
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking
Old and precious values.

For we are the builders of homes,
Homes for America's future.
Homes where living will be the expression of everything
That is good and fair.
Homes where truth and love and security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

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"The homes of tomorrow are in
the hands of the youth
of today"

CAROLINE SAYS

Life Needs Us All

There is so much that we can do—
A kind word spoken here and there
Will ease another's weight of care;
Life needs us all. The splendid few
Who rise to fame, with all their skill
Your past and mine can never fill.

If we who have not wealth or fame,
Should fail in all our little deeds,
The world would sink beneath its needs,
Not by the greatness of a name,
Nor by the splendor of success
Are hearts restored to happiness.

About us all are those who need
The gifts which we have power to give;
We can be friendly while we live,
And by some thoughtful, kindly deed,
Can help another on his way,
And that is service, come what may.

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Good Homes Make Good Americans

"The earth belongs, always, to the living generation." My torch remains lighted only so long as that for which I stand, freedom, abides in our country. The fuel for my torch comes from simple, everyday democratic, consecrated living. It is replenished each time one of our great personal freedoms is exercised or defended; its flame glows brightest when a single injustice, large or small, is made right, a prejudice removed, a personal responsibility assumed, or a kindness shown. I find most of my warmth in the homes of my nation. My hope for perpetual light lies in the future homes of America. You, who are now within the sound of my voice — I charge you — LIVE WELL YOUR CREED for, "Good Homes Make Good Americans!"

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State Convention

The hum of feminine activity heard in Raleigh, May 2, was the Future Homemakers from all over the Tar Heel State convening for their annual State Convention. This time the *big event* was held in the Memorial Auditorium, leaving all the teen-age charm facing Fayetteville Street.

Some of the Bethel girls take time out to say hello to the Wake Forest Chapter as they register.

Ruth Hunt from Zeb Vance and Virginia Harris of Littleton as they get into their harness to carry the flags.



An umbrella was a friend in need to Ester Griffin and Flora Boseman of the Aurelian Springs Chapter.

Things were off to a flying start from the first sound of the gavel by Carolyn Abernathy of Alexander-Wilson High School to the bearing of the colors by the Zeb Vance and Littleton Chapters. A warm welcome was extended to the visiting girls by Dr. Charles Carroll, State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

The high-light of the morning session was a program presented by Dr. Maude Williamson, visiting professor from Woman's College, who gave us a very interesting talk on "Future Homemakers in Other Lands." Dr. Williamson has traveled extensively and had much to do with the organizing of Future Homemaking chapters in Japan. This type of program helps us to fulfill one of our purposes: "To promote international good will!" Dr. Williamson brought out the influence of Americanization and democratic living in the Far East.

No Future Homemakers Rally would be complete without the good wishes of our brother organization. Harold Lineberger, State Future Farmer President, was on hand to do that. We like to have these F.F.A. boys around! (Right, girls?)

Following the opening ceremony, the Taylorville Chapter had charge of the invocation. Miss Daphne Eller, State Adviser, told us of the coming National Convention to be held in Columbus, Ohio, the first week in July. This year we have the privilege of running a candidate for the National Presidency. Following a few other announcements, the nominations for our presidential candidate were made and candidates introduced. Frances Burris of Wingate, was elected and will represent us at the National Meeting.

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Chapel Hill F.H.A.'ers Discovered That TV IS Fun and Exciting, Too!



Left to right: Dorothy Greulach, red velveteen coat and dress; Ann Gobbel, peacock blue and peach; Susan Sanders, brown flannel with beige; Patsy Poythress, peach and white with red; Kay Proctor, navy and white cotton; Meredith Stringfield, red flannel nightie.

Future Homemakers at Chapel Hill have shown a true pioneering spirit equal to that of our great-grandmothers by being the first chapter in North Carolina to use Television as a means of interpreting to the TV fans some of the accomplishments of our high school homemaking classes.

Here is how Chapel Hill became TV stars — all in one lesson:

Early last fall Miss Fischel, Chapter Adviser, made a trip to Greensboro to confer with the Woman's Editor about the possibility of her class presenting a 30-minute program on TV. They decided that a Fashion Show would be of interest to everyone in the TV audience and would give more F.H.A.'ers an opportunity to appear on the show.

Then began the work on garments to model, choosing a theme

— their's was "Around the Clock" — painstaking dress rehearsals on the stage, practicing walking as a model should, a special class on grooming, study of accessories, and those million little things that have to be done just right!

The F.H.A.'ers collaborated with the English teacher who helped them write a detailed and elaborate 75-word description of each costume. This made the basis of the script which was narrated by Miss Carolyn Stoker, Woman's Editor for WFMY.

The piano teacher was a lifesaver at rehearsals, choosing a song suitable for each costume. Other persons helping in the organization were the superintendent and principal who planned transportation and granted excuses from school.

Some TV Tips:

The girls found these points helpful and would like to pass them on to you:

- Careful planning and rehearsals are a must!!
- Timing is very important (Chapel Hill used nine models and two costumes each). Time was allotted for dressing, climbing two flights of stairs, and getting "that model look" before going on stage.
- Choose simple but effective props — theirs was a wooden clock, painted grey and black.
- Choose a variety of costumes and check hems and pressing!
- Darker tones of color show up to a better advantage than light. Texture should be considered.
- Watch posture! Keep head up, chin in and walk gracefully!
- Stage personality is very important. Get over stage fright.

Things To Do In the SUMMERTIME

For Jun and J.H.A.

Summer vacation is an ideal time to get things done! Maybe now is the time for your chapter to establish a twelve months' program and make definite plans to do things you don't have time for during the school year. Such as — a leadership training workshop. Bladenboro chapter members attended a three day workshop last summer. The following plan was used: First Meeting: Officers selected subjects for further study. (Study was done at home and their suggestions made out at home.) Second Meeting: Review of Leadership material from National meeting. Report and suggestions from each officer. President — Read *The Meeting Will Come to Order*. Wanted committee members to volunteer. Set up plans for class and general meetings. Vice-President — Made plans for F.H.A. program for year to be decided by members at first meeting using 66 methods. (Excellent Results.) Secretary — Read Score Card for Organization Secretaries; set up record books for year. Treasurer — Outlined money raising projects and plans for carrying out projects. Each member had a part with some project. (Made \$321.62.) Good results. Parliamentarian — Read *The Meeting Will Come to Order*. Worked on public relations. Ideas were to participate in Farmers Day Parade, Mother-Daughter Tea, Window Display, pass information of Michigan Conference on to others, talk to one civic organization. (Met all of these.) Song Leader — Made song sheets for use at meetings. Worked on recreation for chapter also. Pianist — Learned to play above songs. Also worked on recreation. Reporter — Suggested one article in school paper each time. An article in county paper. Historian — Outlined plans for keeping chapter records. (All officers read *The Meeting Will Come to Order*.) Third meeting: Planned ways in which officers could get information they had learned across to members. Decided to have at first meeting in the fall the following: Panel Discussion, give members chance to volunteer for committee, plan program for

year using 66 methods. Several Relaxers. (Results were very good.) This workshop definitely helped our chapter. All of our members have served on either a class program or general meeting.

The Anson-Union Federation has a Summer Rally at Cheraw Beach to combine fun and recreation with a planning meeting for the coming year. This Federation also has a fall leadership training workshop and a spring rally.

Cliffside is planning a series of square dances during the summer to supplement recreational facilities for teen-agers.

Last year Tri-High officers were elected in April and installed in May with committee chairman appointed. During the summer they went right to work on a sample copy of the year's yearbook. Programs were planned, money raising ideas organized, local projects discussed and an over-all campaign for new members started.

Southwood F.H.A.'ers have each planned a definite project to improve themselves as family members during the summer months.

Franklinton emphasizes the "Families Together" project during summer vacation 'cause that's an ideal time for family picnics and outings. Sometime during vacation a family picnic is planned by the chapter for all parents to get together. Everyone has loads of fun!

Littleton uses the summer time to plan the year's work. Topics for

programs are chosen and chairmen for each committee selected. Each member had an opportunity to choose one committee and one program to be on for the year. This gave everyone a feeling of belonging to the organization.

There are many other activities for those "What Can I Do Today?" days!! Make your pet project a series of radio programs or newspaper articles, "Around Town with the Future Homemakers." The series might include: Summer Plans for F.H.A.'ers, Summer Shortcuts in Cooking, Cool Dishes for Hot Days, Good Buys for Shoppers, and many others. Wouldn't it be a thrill to persuade your local radio manager or newspaper editor to let your chapter run a series of programs or articles! Who knows—a new star may be born or a writer discovered!

Or your town may need a babysitting bureau. And what an entertaining way to earn some pin money and learn more about "What Makes a Child Tick?" There are lots of books available for information and what better source than your child-care class in homemaking?

Still another suggestion is to study parliamentary procedure and make the F.H.A. a shining example of carrying out a business meeting correctly and successfully. This information is also helpful in other clubs. *Robert's Rules of Order* or *The Meeting Will Come to Order* are excellent references.

Then there are scads of individual projects — making your summer or fall wardrobe, spending more time with your family, teaching your younger brother or sister new games, helping with the cooking and house duties, reading those books you have been casting aside or taking a job downtown to gain experience and earn pin money. Remember this, tho; whatever you plan to do, carry it through to completion! And do the job well! You are not only interpreting yourself, you are interpreting the F.H.A., homemaking department and school! Good luck and a happy summer vacation!

ALWAYS FINISH

If a TASK is once begun,
Never leave it till it's done.
Be the labor great or small,
Do it well or not at all.

Anonymous

LOOK UP

Look UP and not down.
Look forward and not back.
Look out and not in.
Lend a hand.

EDWARD EVERETT HALE

All Aboard for

THE NATIONAL F.H.A. CONVENTION

It will be a hot but happy day in July when the North Carolina delegates board the Norfolk and Western train for Columbus, Ohio, to attend the National F.H.A. Convention. This year all convention delegates will be together at the Dashler-Wallick Hotel which is twenty stories high and has 1,000 rooms, 21 meeting rooms and six elevators!

The Convention theme is "Homes for America's Future." Most of the program will be given by F.H.A.'ers and North Carolina is to have a big part in the activities. There will be a parade of regions pageant, "F.H.A. at Home across America," A Sunday Night supper with an international theme, All-States Chorus, and many, many other well-planned surprises for your enjoyment!

Our three voting delegates will be kept busy setting up the program of work and national projects and

other business matters. Every Tar Heel will be especially anxious to hear the results of the election. Who knows, we might have a Tar Heel president!

Other North Carolina delegates will be participating in discussion groups, parade of regions, and other important events.

Who can go? The State officers, the national candidate-elect, and any chapter member who is affiliated this year until our quota is filled!!

What will it cost? North Carolina will get a special car for thirty or more passengers which will cut the cost of the trip from \$150 to approximately \$75. Help North Carolina fill its quota of eighty members and twenty-one adults!

What to wear? Columbus will be hot and rainy—cotton dresses, summer suits, skirts and blouses will be most suitable and comfortable. In-

clude a sweater or jacket for unexpected cool nights. Take a raincoat, cap or umbrella for that rainy weather, and proper apparel for attending church on Sunday morning, such as hose, hat, and gloves. For the Sunday Night supper a party dress or dressy dress will be appropriate. For travel on the train a simple tailored suit, preferably dark, will be most appropriate. Don't forget your most comfortable shoes for walking between sessions. And pack only what you need! Try to limit yourself to one suit case, packing carefully with tissue paper to prevent wrinkles. There will be no time or place for pressing! And don't forget to wear your F. H. A. pen at all times!

And the most important thing to have with you at all times is your courteous, well-behaved manner!

See you in Columbus.

Boy-Girl Relationship Day

Here's How One Chapter Found the Answers

Bethesda Future Homemakers decided to find some answers to their questions on teen-age problems by sponsoring a "Boy-Girl Relationship Day," and include the parents as well as the student body.

As a builder-upper to this day's

program, the F.H.A.'ers had as their program a round table discussion on teen-age problems, inviting the boys to participate. Persons representing the home, community, school and church were invited to lead the discussions. Some questions aired were: what about going steady? How important are character traits in teen-

age problems, dating curfew, and where do parents fit in? The girls and boys had an opportunity to discuss traits they like in the opposite sex.

With this background of information and views, the student body was better prepared to listen to Mrs. Ethel Nash, accredited marriage counselor, University of North Carolina, who was the guest speaker for the Boy-Girl Relationship Program. Her topic was "Courtship Facts and Fantasies," which was followed by a panel discussion. Later in the day Mrs. Nash spoke to the parents on "Keeping up with Teen-Agers."

As a result of the day's program, the girls feel that they and the members of the opposite sex understand each other more and that they can discuss their problems more freely with their parents.

COVER PICTURE

Shown here are Carolyn Abernathy, President, and Jean Faulkner, incoming President, as they talk to Dr. Maude Williamson, key note speaker for the State Convention.



Shown here: Mrs. Nash, after a discussion group, clearing up some questions for the girls and some of the panel members who led the discussion on teen-age problems. On the panel were representatives from the school, community, home and church.

MY F. H. A. TRIP TO FLORIDA

By ANNIE LEE JONES
Apex, North Carolina

On Thursday morning, February 5th, everyone was very excited around my house. Why? Because this was the day that I was to leave for Tampa, Florida, to represent the F.H.A. of North Carolina at the Florida State Fair.

About 9:15 a.m. Mrs. Lewis, my Home Economics teacher, and some of the students arrived to take me to Fayetteville where I was to board the train. Roger Hill, the F.F.A. delegate from North Carolina, was going to start from there also. The train, the Havana Special, was to arrive at 11:15. On hearing the train approaching I began to get a little nervous.

The F.H.A. and F.F.A. had a special car and it was the last one. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Howard met Roger and me at the train and helped us with our baggage. The girls began teasing me about getting it confused, but of course I didn't think it would happen.

After bidding everyone goodbye, we were on our way. Having walked through a number of cars, we finally reached the one with "F.F.A." on it. Mr. Howard carried my bags to the drawing room, which was to be the accommodations for delegates from Virginia, South Carolina, and North Carolina.

The big moment came when I met the boy and girl from Virginia, Mrs. Howard, and Mrs. Lewis. We were given a very pretty badge with our name and address on it and it also indicated what we were representing.

Then the fun really started. While

I was back in the drawing room pulling my coat and hat off, Mr. Howard came back and asked me if I had the right bags. I looked at the bags and sure enough there was "ROGER HILL" in big letters. Well, we got our bags all settled.

Now to settle down for the long trip. After getting acquainted with the group, we all went to the diner for lunch. Meals on the train were quite expensive, but I enjoyed eat-

Mr. and Mrs. O'Kelly. Since the train didn't leave Jacksonville until 10:45, we all stayed at the station for a while.

Upon arrival in Tampa the next morning, we checked in at the Hillboro Hotel, which was to be our headquarters while in Tampa. After breakfast, we went to the State Fair. During that morning we made a supervised study of the home and agricultural exhibits. The "Hav-A-

Tampa" exhibit was very interesting, but I think the citrus fruit exhibits were the most impressive to me, especially the one of the outline of Florida filled with oranges. The flower exhibits were very colorful. One electrical exhibit that I especially noticed was the demonstration changing an old kitchen to a modern one. While at the fair one of my new experiences was the feeding of a fawn. It was really amazing to see how well-trained it was.

On Friday evening, the Chamber of Commerce took us on a tour of Tampa and its environs.

Arriving back in Tampa a little late, we had to get ready for the banquet which was to be held at a Spanish restaurant in Ybor City. As our guest, we had the Florida State F.H.A. and F.F.A. officers and supervisors.

Saturday morning began another big day for us. It had been designated as F.F.A. and F.H.A. Day. That morning we had a chance to visit the mid-way. After lunch we were platform guests of the F.F.A.

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Annie Lee is seen here packing for the trip.

ing just the same. Fortunately, Roger had bought a set of Canasta cards. So after lunch four of us played Canasta.

The girl from South Carolina got on at Yemassee. It was interesting to know that they call their organization J.H.A. rather than F.H.A. In Savannah, Georgia, Emmett McCracken from South Carolina and Betty Exley from Georgia joined us. We arrived in Jacksonville, Florida, about 8:30 p.m. There the other delegates joined us along with

Good Luck Dance

Has your F.H.A. Chapter ever sponsored a "Good Luck Dance?" The Hugh Morson Chapter in Raleigh recently sponsored an affair of this kind. The main purpose of the dance was to make money to send the president of next year's chapter to the National Convention, this summer.

Special dance committees were chosen for the dance and the two advisers, Mrs. Jolene Edwards and Mrs. Jacqueline Ammons assisted in the preparations. Chapter officers were chairmen of the various committees.

The big feature of the dance was the crowning of a King and Queen which was not announced until the night of the dance. A school election was held to determine the King and Queen. Each class nominated a king and queen to represent their class. Another election was held to determine a school king and queen. Carrying out "good luck" and Saint Patrick's Day, the gym was decorated with green and white. As couples entered the gym through a huge archway of white with green shamrocks, they found little green shamrocks hanging from the ceiling. Two big green shamrocks outlined with white lights were behind the throne. The other end of the gym had a shamrock with a boy and girl silhouette. A wishing well

flanked by camellias and ivy covered fences was made for couples to throw pennies in and make wishes.

At intermission, after crowning, a cart-wheel figure with green streamers to act as spokes was formed. The figure was composed of the king and queen, class attendants, chapter officers, unit presidents, and unit program chairmen with escorts. Each girl carried a bouquet of white carnations with green ribbon.

Of course there was entertainment for the majesty and court. A quartet and a duet sang Irish songs. Two dance numbers by four girls, and then one girl, also carried out Irish performances.

One interesting factor about the Queen that was chosen which made the Hugh Morson Chapter proud was that she has been very active in F.H.A. activities. The Queen, Faye Wheeler, a senior, has been unit president, chapter secretary, and just ended a year's work as county treasurer. Faye has been to many of the rallies and to camp at White Lake.

Even though the preparations and decorating took a lot of time, the Hugh Morson Chapter was proud of the dance they held and are hoping to send their next year's president to the National Convention, July 2-8.



Betsy Hay crowns Faye Wheeler, F.H.A. member, queen of Hugh Morson school.

State Degrees

The degrees committee met March 28, 1953, in the Buncombe County Courthouse, Asheville, North Carolina, to evaluate the applications for State Homemaker degrees.

LaSalle Light, State Parliamentarian, served as chairman. Chapters serving on the committee were: Barnardsville, Old Fort, Clyde, Black Mountain, Oakley, Miss Daphne Eller and Miss Louise Swann.

Seventy-four applications were evaluated. Those receiving the State Homemaker degrees were: Edna Duvall, Swain County; Patricia Carpenter, Shelby; Ada Beth Hickman, Betty Jean Adams, Bladenboro; Billie Marie Clark, Hart-sell; Margie Humphrey, Red Springs; Sylvia Craddock, Mebane; Mikell McGinnis, Lee Edwards, Helen King Pipkin, Morehead City; Tenny Hill, Mangum; Betty M. Blanchard, Warsaw; Betsy Watson, Red Springs; Gladys Faye Hidey, Catherine Smith, Janet Campbell, Benvenue; Loyd Royel, Stedman; Marjorie Lattimore, Shirley Lillian Grotts, Mary Ann Fettes, Sana Lee Shehan, Charlotte Ann McDougal, Willia Mae Byers, Maxine Whiteside, Rutherfordton-Spindale; Marcia Lee Boyd, Bath; Anne Beatty, Rutherfordton-Spindale; Frances Revels, Patsy Upton, Gladys Dobbins, Tri-City; Lynda Hampton, Lee Edwards; Marie Small, Susie Smith, Glenda Noble, Jean Elizabeth Noble, Annie Jeanette Noble, Deep Run; Sue Grubbs, Barbara Jane Hicks, Sue Peyran, Thelma Veach, Walkertown; Irene Waters, Bath; Faye L. Branch, Joan Averette, Winterville; Shirley Jean Tarleton, Myrtle Paradise, Morven; Pearl Hill, Randleman; Roberta Lou Halls, Gretchen Askew, Rosewood; Elizabeth Wilkinson, Carolyn Hice, Jackie Alspaugh, South Fork; Marina S. Crumme, Juanita Patrick, Creswell; Jo Ann Woosley, South Fork; Clara Burris, Endy; Joyce Whittle, Warsaw; Carolyn Abernathy, Alexander-Wilson; Janice Claudine Little, Winecoff; Frances Cohoon, Greenville; Macy Duncan, Betty Jo Amos, Sumner; Joyce Angel, Walkertown.

Chapter Chatter

The Cleveland Chapter in Rowan County has been doing something all the time. We have 61 members and we meet every Wednesday. We have four chapter mothers and two chapter fathers. The three money making projects for this year were completed first semester; they were cooking and serving Lion's Club suppers for three months; second, a pie and cake sale; and third, selling Christmas cards. This fall the FHA decided to re-decorate the Home Economics Department. Our Adviser sanded the floors, we made lined draperies; upholstered a living room chair and also our dining room chairs; and then refinished all our furniture in the living room and dining room and some machines. We also had the FFA boys make the cornice for the three rooms in our department. The Home Ec. IV class sponsored an open house for our parents and all those interested in seeing the department. We also bought a new sofa and lamp for the living room.

During National FHA: On Sunday, we attended Christ Episcopal Church as an FHA group, sang The FHA Prayer Song, and our adviser put the club flowers in the church for the altar flowers. Monday, we gave each teacher a rose, and that night, gave a program to the Lion's Club. Tuesday, we had a clothing drive for underprivileged children in our school. Wednesday, we gave a chapel program concerning FHA, also sponsored a school clean-up campaign, Thursday, Open House for Families, Friday no gripe and courtesy day.

We have had either movies, skits, or speakers for each of our programs which were based on each of the purposes. We have planned for April — for three former FHA girls, now married, to talk on how homemaking has helped them, a minister to discuss "Family Life," and the mayor to discuss "Our Community." We have had several parties, the Mothers and Fathers gave us a hayride and wiener roast, skating party, and Christmas party, and we are going to be hostesses to FFA boys this month at a wiener roast. In honor of our mothers, we are planning a Mother-Daughter Dessert Party May 4. We bought \$10 Unesco stamps and also a "Friendship among Youth" package. To us this has been the best FHA year yet, never a dull moment.

The Washington Chapter held its regular meeting in the school lunchroom Tuesday.

A special feature of this meeting was the fashion show presented by the second year home economics students.

Girls modeled corduroy jumpers with blouses suitable for school and spectator sports wear, skirts and weskits suitable for school, and dress-up suits. The girls received praise for their well-made, attractive garments. Those modeling were Florida Perry, Edna Hales, Josephine Griffin, Janet Caraway, Betty Jean Alligood, Dee Harrington, Beverly Anderson, Jane Welch, Jean Duke, Jane Duke, Mary LewBowers, Sonja Warren, Ann Duke, Pat Hodges, Betty Britt, Shelly Walker, Glenda Mizelle and Peggy Joyce Shepherd.

The Morganton chapter held its annual

Mother-Daughter banquet on Thursday evening in the high school cafeteria.

Isabelle Mull, chapter president, was toastmistress and the invocation was given by Catherine Newton, after which Carolyn Cannon lead the group in the FHA prayer song. Mrs. Morrison responded to the toast given by the president with "An If for Girls" by Kipling. Maude Morrison, chapter treasurer, gave a report of chapter activities. Mary Frances Garrison gave the toast to chapter mothers and Mrs. Carl Mabe responded.

The theme for the banquet was the "Gay 90's." This was very effectively carried out in decorations and floor show. The barbershop quartet, composed of Barbara Johnson, Margaret Kincaid, Carolyn Cannon and Betty Sue Williams, entertained the group with songs of the period. Other numbers on the program were "Frankie and Johnnie" and "A Bicycle Built for Two."

Maxine Lybrand introduced the "Gay 90's Fashion Show" by contrasting the teen-age fashion of today with fashions during that period. Outstanding costume models were two bathing suits of the "Gay 90's." The prize for the best costume was won by Betty Laningham.

The high-light of the program was recognition given to 21 girls for their years of service to the chapter. The president called attention to the fact these girls who are seniors have been chapter members four years. They take part in school activities and are active in community life. They are outstanding students in school. They are listed as: Minnie Ruth Adkins, Barbara Berry, Norma J. Braswell, Katherine Booth, Carolyn Cannon, Mary Lee Copeland, Linda Deal, Frances Garrison, Barbara Johnson, Margaret Kincaid, Maxine Lybrand, Phillis Mitchell, Maude Morrison, Isabelle Mull, Catherine Newton, Frances Rhodes, Joan Smith, Carol Wayt, Lucille Whisenant, Betty Sue Williams, and Barbee Winchester.

Barbara Johnson, Maude Morrison and Barbara Winchester plan to major in home making in college.

Carolyn Erwin presented Isabelle Mull, president, with a spoon in her silver pattern. It has been the custom of the chapter to present the outgoing president with a piece of her silver.

F. H. A. pins were presented to the three mothers. Mrs. Wells, Mrs. Bright and Mrs. Mabe, and a pair of china vases were given to the adviser, Mrs. Jack Winchester.

March 28 will be Hobo Day for the members of the Boyden Chapter.

Final plans to make this a successful day will be made at the regular monthly meeting to be held at Judy Russey's home Monday night.

Following a plan used by chapters throughout the nation, the Boyden girls have decided to have Hobo Day to raise money to send a delegate to the national meeting to be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, in July. Because these national meetings are held only every third year, the local FHA is quite eager to send a delegate to this once-in-a-life-time meeting.

The idea of Hobo Day is this: The hoboes want very much to do odd jobs such as baby-sitting, window-washing, ironing, raking the yard, and cleaning house. They know that many housewives in Salisbury will need help next Saturday with their Easter housecleaning. They are

hoping that they will have a chance to do some of this work.

They have not set a price on the various jobs. They are asking their employers to pay whatever they think the jobs are worth.

The day of work for the hoboes will be climaxed with a picnic in the country.

Ann Lawson, president of the club, is the general chairman for the project. The committees are: Jean Cauble and Barbara Burns, to divide the members into groups and assign territories; Loretta Jones and Susan Swartz, telephone; Mary Frances Davis, Becky Atwell, Jane Crogan and Mildred Erwin, publicity. Misses Anne Hall and Lucille Morrison are advisers to the club.

A panel discussion on the behavior of the child featured the February meeting of the Boyden chapter of the FHA held recently at the home of Hope Edwards in Milford Hills. Twenty-four members were present.

Participating in the panel were six freshmen girls: Laura Jane Craig, Mary Frances Davis, Mildred Erwin, Frances Lynn Foil, Jane Crogan, and Judy Russey.

During the business session the members decided to ask the home economics department to help them collect old clothes to be sent to Korea.

Refreshments carrying out the FHA theme were served by Hope, Assisted by her mother, Mrs. W. L. Edwards, and her aunt.

In connection with the approaching bicentennial celebration, ten freshman girls at Boyden High School, under the direction of Miss Lucille Morrison, have dressed dolls in colonial costumes.

Mrs. J. H. Nettles, a member of the Rowan Public Library staff, furnished the dolls for a display for the library. The dolls have been on display in the home economics show cases on the third floor and will be on display at the public library during March.

Girls dressing dolls were: Phyllis Brandt, Mary Frances Davis, Mildred Erwin, Ann Gabriel, Jane Grogan, Doris Price, Patsy Ramsey, Judy Russey, Barbara Schofield, and Delores Trexler.

In striving for their goal, international understanding, the F. H. A. at their monthly meeting on February 23 prepared a box of clothing to be sent to either Holland or Korea.

Each year the F. H. A. contributes to the World Friendship among Children by sending personal gifts, money, or old clothes.

Miss Hall, adviser to the F. H. A., has a knowledge of the needs of the Koreans from her visit there a number of years ago and is very much interested in helping them. She said, "Anyone having any old clothes he would like to give away should see me, and I will send them to Korea."

The Morehead City chapter elected three new chapter mothers at its regular monthly meeting Tuesday night at the civic center.

Mrs. Esmond Brock, Mrs. Jack Roberts and Mrs. L. O. Crewe were named chapter mothers. Mrs. Brock, who was present, was presented with a red rose by Helen Pipkin, president of the group.

The program featured home economics. One of the purposes of the F. H. A. is to increase interest in home economics. Eight members spoke on women who

have been trained in home economics, teaching, journalism, clothing, food, interior decorating, management, child-care, and family life.

The group voted to put on a campaign to raise funds to send two delegates to the national convention of the F. H. A. in Columbus, Ohio, in July.

In April the chapter will hold its annual Mother-Daughter supper. Committees were appointed to make preparations for the dinner. Iced drinks and cakes were served after the program and business meeting.

Helen Pipkin, president of the Morehead City Chapter of the F. H. A., gave a talk at Newport recently on "Keeping the Spirit of F. H. A." Also attending the meeting from Morehead City was Mrs. Florence Cordova, home economics teacher.

A meeting of the F. H. A. was held Tuesday at 1:30. Discussion was on the Mother-Daughter banquet or buffet supper to be held April 7, and on ways to raise money to send a delegate to the national convention at Columbus, Ohio, in July.

Nothing was decided upon. Helen Pipkin gave a short talk on the advantages of the F. H. A. and she and Mrs. Cordova told of their recent trip to the Newport club.

Members of the Pamlico Chapter under the direction of their adviser, Mrs. Pauline Robbins, entertained members of the Parent Teachers Association with a fashion show at the regular monthly meeting Thursday night.

Girls from the combined classes of Mrs. Robbins modeled dresses which they had made themselves, during home economics classes and as home work projects.

Narrator for the event was Miss Peggy Spruill, while Miss Jeanette Banks and Miss Anne Holton played key parts in the production.

The review was acclaimed as one of the best programs yet presented to the young P.T.A., and Mrs. Robbins and her girls were highly complimented by the president, Mrs. Ruth Hudson of Vandermere.

The business session of the meeting was very slack, and after adjournment, Mrs. Robbins and the Home Economics girls played hostesses to the more than 150 parents, teachers and guests at a social hour in the Home-Ec. lab.

The Henderson Chapter has been busy planning for their annual banquet which was held at the high school on February 12.

Mrs. Cobb, along with two representatives, attended a meeting at Middleburg on February 4 to plan the District Rally at Zeb Vance on March 18. The Henderson Club decided to take care of the registration and entertainment at the rally.

The Mills Chapter is sponsoring a contest to find the ugliest man in town for the purpose of raising money to buy equipment for the new home economics department.

The following men are entering and their campaign managers are as follows: "Simie" O'Neal — Virginia Bass, "Doc" Elam — Jetta Godfrey, Edward Leigh Best — Nancy Gordon, Asher Johnson, Jr. — Joyce Knott, Lewis Scoggin, Jr. — Barbara Medlin.

The ugliest will be crowned on April 1st in the school auditorium at the Tom-Thumb Wedding.

A Bird's-Eye View of

F. H. A. CAMP DOIN'S

and a Week of Fun

When the summer sun comes boiling down and examinations come rolling around, one's thoughts just naturally turn to something more pleasant, such as those happy days at Camp! Yes, Camp time is here again with more and better plans than ever for a week of fun and frolic!! We are most fortunate to have Mr. Carl Gradd as program director, who has had wide and varied experience with athletics at Glenn High School in Winston-Salem. Mrs. Gradd will be our nurse and always on hand to take care of any aches and pains. We will also have on our staff persons trained in crafts, music, swimming and other phases of camp life to help make this week an enjoyable one for everyone.

Some time is given each day to the discussion of F.H.A. problems and some ways of improving F.H.A. chapters. There seem to be a lot of things that members don't

understand or want to learn more about, and what place is better than White Lake Camp to find the answers?

The evening entertainment is always loads of fun with something different planned for each evening: Monday night is "Get Acquainted Night"; Tuesday, Talent Night; Wednesday, Games; Thursday, Goldston Beach; and Friday, Open House.

We have been informed that many improvements have been made on the grounds and an additional pier built for swimming and sun bathing. Don't forget to bring shoes for land sports, and a sweater and an extra blanket for warmth.

For additional information on camp life, ask your adviser for the Camp bulletin recently released. Get busy now and make plans to come to camp! Dates: May 25-30, June 1-6.

TRIP TO FLORIDA

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in front of the grandstand. Many F.F.A. boys paraded down the tracks to the grandstand. Following the program we had box seats for the auto races.

Well, the trip was about to come to an end. We arrived in Fayetteville at 5:00 p.m. On the trip there was a photographer who took pictures at different points of interest. During the trip we were the center of attraction. People would stop us and read the badges to see what we were representing.

I really enjoyed the trip, not only in Tampa, but on the train as well. I don't see how any other group could have enjoyed it any more than we did — even on Saturday afternoon when it rained.

STATE CONVENTION

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A lovely pageant was presented in the afternoon session by the Goldsboro High School under the

direction of Clifton Britton who also directs the *Lost Colony*. The theme of this program was "Our American Heritage; Good Homes Make Good Americans."

At the close of the pageant the officers and advisers were installed in a very impressive ceremony:

As the sun sank lower on the western horizon, there were some tired and weary girls who turned their faces homeward. Nevertheless, the experiences encountered, the friendships made, the inspiration gained and the praises won, furnished each with memories that will keep a glow in a young heart until convention time again next year.

Welcome,

New Chapters!

Do these scenes look familiar?

I'm sure those attending camp last year will recognize them



Future Homemakers of America

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We are the Future Homemakers of America
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope,
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking
Old and precious values.

For we are the builders of homes,
Homes for America's future.
Homes where living will be the expression of everything
That is good and fair.
Homes where truth and love and security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

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And high hope.



"The homes of tomorrow are in
the hands of the youth
of today"

CAROLINE SAYS:



Have a wonderful vacation! and take with you
this bit of philosophy:

Somebody said that it couldn't be done,
But he with a chuckle replied
That "maybe it couldn't," but he would be one
Who wouldn't say so till he'd tried.
So he buckled right in with the trace of a grin
On his face. If he worried he hid it.
He started to sing as he tackled the thing
That couldn't be done, and he did it.

Somebody scoffed: "Oh, you'll never do that:
At least no one ever has done it."
But he took off his coat and he took off his hat,
And the first thing we knew he'd begun it.
With a lift of his chin and a bit of a grin,
Without any doubting or quiddit,
He started to sing as he tackled the thing
That couldn't be done, and he did it.

There are thousands to tell you it cannot be done,
There are thousands to prophesy failure;
There are thousands to point out to you, one by
one,
The dangers that wait to assail you.
But just buckle in with a bit of a grin,
Just take off your coat and go to it:
Just start to sing as you tackle the thing
That "cannot be done," and you'll do it.

EDGAR A. GUEST



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Dear F. H. A. Members—Greetings:

If you have corresponded with the State Office this school year, you will no doubt have noticed a different signature on the mail directed to you. You may not know that Miss Daphne Eller now Mrs. George A. Leonard, has moved into an apartment in Greensboro, and in addition to being a *Present Homemaker* is teaching homemaking to the students of Bessemer High School along with supervising student teachers from the Woman's College.

Although I am new in this position, the Future Homemakers of America is an organization with which I am very familiar since I was chapter adviser in the Lee Woodard School in Wilson County for six years. During 1951-52 my work with Future Homemakers branched out to include all of District II, since that was the year I enjoyed the honor of being District Adviser. In October of 1951, I had the privilege of attending the National Executive Council Meeting in Chicago. Nancy Bright of North Carolina was the national officer that year. Incidentally, Nancy is at present a sophomore at Woman's College majoring in home economics.

Yes, the Future Homemakers of America is an organization in which I sincerely believe, and I truly feel that the lives of tomorrow will be enriched because of FHA members who also have this faith.

Let's make this a wonderful year!

Cordially,
(Mrs.) Faye T. Coleman
State Adviser

North Carolina Association of Future Homemakers of America

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WE GO TO THE NATIONAL CONVENTION

THURSDAY, JULY 2, 1953

There was the excitement of last minute inspection of our suitcases; then we were into the car and off. When we reached the train station in Durham there was a general rush to put identification tabs on our suitcases, to check with our advisers, and then pile into the train.

Within minutes we had all made friends with the girls sitting around us, and the train was alive with singing and merry laughter. About five o'clock in the afternoon we rolled into the station in Lynchburg, Virginia. Everyone was ready for the delicious box supper of fried chicken, ham and cheese sandwiches, pickles, and cake which was brought on the train at that time.

Because of poor ventilation the Virginia girls, who were staying on the car next to us, were forced to

move into our car. In spite of the fact that they had to stand in the aisle we had a grand time telling them what a grand state good ole North Carolina is.

The conductors were very patient with our continual trips to the club car. The passengers in the other cars must have felt that they knew every face in our crowd.

It was beginning to grow late and we had become very tired. Of course, there were a few of us who stayed awake all night, but the rest had dropped off to sleep into the world of tomorrow when the real fun would begin.

Friday

Rolling along together was exactly what we were doing around six o'clock a.m. on July 3. The

train was moving nearer and nearer to Columbus and we were trying ever so hard to get our eyes open. If you've heard the song "Through a Long and Sleepless Night," you have heard our theme song as we walked into the Deshler-Wallick Hotel.

We were beginning the most exciting time that we had ever enjoyed. Everyone was rushing around registering, un-packing, eating breakfast, attending all-state chorus practice, and supposedly attending requested state meetings. Some of us missed the North Carolina meeting because we just had to have our bacon and eggs.

"Who's here from where?" was the theme of Louisiana's part on program Friday afternoon. They spelled out FHA with flowers from

each state represented as well as Puerto Rico, Guam, and Hawaii. It was most impressive. Miss Edna Amidon, chairman of the national advisory board, gave an inspiring talk on "FHA in Homes and Communities and the Nation."

Following the afternoon session we were free to wander over the city! Can you imagine 2,000 girls wandering around? It's truly a sight to see.

The most used word on the trip was pooped and believe you me by the time Friday night rolled around we were pooped.

Saturday

Today started with a **bang**, as sleepy-eyed girls came to the different sessions in all parts of the Deshler-Wallick Hotel. The session that I attended was "Our share is our homes," which was very interesting. We discussed each other's problems and told of some of our experiences.

Tonight was the night of the "Pageant," to which everyone had been looking forward. The theme was "Our American Heritage." Girls dressed in costumes representing different periods of time in our American history were placed around the "Statue of Liberty." Then the "Reader" would read stories concerning the period that was represented on the stage. Everyone had a wonderful time. The only thing we have to complain about is our poor aching feet. And when I say **aching** feet, I mean aching feet.

Sunday

My roommate and I planned so faithfully to get up in time to go to 11:00 o'clock mass at the Catholic Church. We woke up bright and early (we thought) but it was 9:45 and we couldn't get dressed, eat breakfast and get to church by 11:00. On top of that we didn't get any breakfast. We walked all over town to find a place to eat. We finally wound up on the same street as the hotel.

Monday

At 9:00 a.m. Monday July 6, the girls from Virginia, North Carolina and Tennessee met in the Hall of Mirrors to elect a vice-president. To our delight our North Carolina candidate, Frances Burris, won. Then the voting delegates discussed the amendments to the constitution.

From 10:30 to 11:30 the North Carolina girls met in the Ohio State Building where we received direc-



It all happened so quickly! At the National Convention in Columbus, Ohio, Frances Burris was elected Southern Regional Vice-President in charge of recreation. This is one of the twelve offices to be filled each year in the National organization of Future Homemakers of America. Frances is from the Wingate Chapter in Wingate, North Carolina. Congratulations, Frances!

tions as to how and when we would leave the hotel for the train.

At 1:00 o'clock the Sixth General Session was held. The minutes of the 1952 Business Session were given. The Constitution was read and discussed. Only the voting delegates could vote. So one of my roommates and I went back to our room to pack so we could be out by 4:30.

At 7:30 in the evening we held the seventh and last session. The all-state chorus sang "Look for the Silver Lining."

I think it would be hard to put into words how everyone enjoyed the Installation of Officers.

By ten o'clock all of us were at the depot, hovering around about 50 suitcases and loaded with gifts, candy, cake and fruit. The train did not leave until eleven o'clock so we got ready for bed. Then what a time followed! With the help of a ukelele and 32 voices we raised the roof of the car, ending with the Bunny-hop down the aisle of the car. Miss Dennis finally called

out for quiet at midnight and we settled down to sleep. Ever try sleeping four in two seats? Well! You surely have to fit together and turn together too.

Breakfast on the train Tuesday. It was a lot of fun but did it cost money? Fortunately, Miss Dennis had already collected our money for the chicken "picnic-style" lunch or some of us might have gone hungry. When we reached Roanoke 12 of the group left us to take the train to Winston-Salem. The rest of us just talked, sang and slept until we reached the North Carolina state line; then we got dressed-up to meet our friends and relatives at the Durham station. Thus ended a glorious week full of fun, excitement and new experiences. We recommend the trip to all North Carolina FHA'ers.

"Your Roving Reporters"

To me the most unique and impressive feature of the National FHA Convention was the way the officers presented their reports on Monday.

The president's report was in the form of a letter to the FHA Girls in Guam, Puerto Rico, Alaska and Hawaii giving them a diary of her life as National President..

The four vice-presidents donned their aprons and assembled their equipment to mix up a program of work. The first ingredient to go into the bowl was a box of ready-mix Programs of Work. Then they stirred in a large can of goals new and condensed, a cup of co-operation and a pinch of participation. Willingness to work and punctuality were folded in last. The mixture was poured into the states of enthusiasm to be served to FHA Chapters for use in 1953-54.

The vice-president of recreation was packing her trunk to bring to the newly elected vice-president of recreation who incidentally is our own Frances Burris.

Her program of work was carefully laid in the bottom of the trunk. Then the letters of the committee members co-operation filled every corner of the trunk and the booklet "Fun for FHA" was carefully placed on top.

The last report was given by the historian who was dressed and spoke like a French artist. She had also prepared an enlarged scrapbook that could be seen from the stage which illustrated her work for the year.

"Adviser's Report"
Mrs. Pauline Hoover.

COVER PICTURE

State Officers for 1953-54. Left to right: Jo Ann Woosley, Glenda Noble, Garrie Freeman, Evelyn Brutton, Anne Jo Lawson, Peggy Spruill, Betty Calhoun, Jean Faulkner.

GARNER'S CAROLINA CARAVAN

The Garner chapter worked especially hard this year to raise funds for the "Carolina Caravan" that was planned earlier in the year. It has been the custom for the Chapter to take a trip every other year and this was the year.

June the eighth found us boarding a chartered bus bright and early with a picnic lunch (to save time and money). There were twenty-nine girls, two chapter mothers, and our adviser, Mrs. LaVerne Fails. Mrs. Fails had worked with our school principal for some time in planning all the complete and last minute details. On this particular morning we were headed for Asheboro.

In Asheboro, we were met by Mr. Harry Barlow of the Chamber of Commerce, Home Demonstration Agent, and the President and Vice-President of the Asheboro FHA Chapter. They escorted us to the Bassong Hosiery Mill, where we saw ladies' full-fashioned nylons being made from yarn to the finished cellophane envelope for our purchase.

From Asheboro we went to Badin, where the Chief of Police opened up his siren and led us to the top of the dam, where the source of energy is harnessed for manufacturing of aluminum. Badin happens to be the world's largest aluminum plant. There we saw the huge cakes of the metal ready to depart for factories where they will be made into wares for our great American public.

In Charlotte we visited the House of Lance and saw all kinds of cookies, nabs, and peanuts being made and packaged. Here we were each given a box of Lance treats which we enjoyed later in the tour. That night we attended the Henderson School of Dance Program at one of the local theaters.

The following morning, we were at the Cleveland Cloth Mills by the time the morning shift was under way. Mr. McBrayer had several helpers conduct us through so that we could get more out of it. We saw over five hundred patterns being woven into fabrics that we will soon



be wearing. After the tour, the company treated us in their commissary and the girls were permitted to purchase fabrics at a reduced price for their sewing projects.

At the Stonecutter Mills, Mr. C. A. Denson helped us to understand the difference between spinning, weaving and knitting, which had been purely textbook terms up until now. We were also permitted to purchase materials here too.

Needless to say, we didn't have enough time at any one place, if we were to maintain our schedule—so on to Chimney Rock, Lake Lure and up to the Biltmore Estate by the middle of the afternoon. It would take books to tell our complete enjoyment of this enchanted place. Our accommodations at the YWCA in Asheville were super! All nights were planned for the larger cities so that we might have cafeterias at which to select our food. Here we had the experience of actually stretching the food dollar!

Bright and early the next morning, we were playing nip-and-tuck with the clouds up on the Blue Ridge Parkway. We had to have a permit to take a bus up on the Parkway—but that had been taken care of. Such tunes as "We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder," and "On Top of Ole Smoky," filled the bus as these happy teen-age merry-makers sang

most of the time. Never could we have picked a better time to see the Mountain Laurel and the Rhododendron in their full glory! A trip through the Linville Caverns made many of the terms that we had learned in science more meaningful.

At Elkin, we enjoyed Chatham Manufacturing Company, which we had previously thought manufactured only those lovely blankets. To our great surprise, they were making material for coats, suits and even automobile upholstery for one of the automobile industries.

Our last day out was the most crowded and probably offered the greatest variety of experiences. Our first stop was a trip through the Home Economics Department of Woman's College in Greensboro. Dr. Keeney conducted us through and we were much impressed with such a lovely school which most of us would like to attend some day. Books could be written about the facilities there but I shall not go into detail—better still, visit these yourself sometime.

Leaving Greensboro, we went to the Decorative Fabrics Division of Burlington Mills. After Mr. J. A. Boland, Jr. spent hours taking us through . . . we can truly understand their "Woven into the Life of America" Trademark. There we saw

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1. Adults gathered for refreshments after the fashion show. 2. Baby winner being crowned. 3. FHA members adopt and help a needy child. 4. Seeing the Delegates off as they board the train to Columbus, Ohio, is Mrs. Robert Woody. In the center is Fay Woody and waving goodbye is Miss Catherine T. Dennis, State Supervisor of Home Economics Education. The other girl (right) is Becky Murdock, the delegate from Bragtown. 5. FHA girls and a chapter mother packing for the World Christmas Festival. 6. FHA members preparing for Glamour Party. 7. A Home Economics student, Johnny Hamilton, introduces the Chinese boy, Mr. Chin to one of the Classes. 8. Shirley Ferrell, FHA member and representative of local beauty salon. 9. FHA Mother-Father-Daughter Banquet.

MEMOS . . . a Year in the Bethesda Chapter

We would do well to "back up," and review, and browse around some before continuing further with our program-of-work for 1953-54. Renewed inspiration and ideas creep into the picture as we observe and examine old pictures of past activities and read of past experiences. The accomplishments of the Bethesda Chapter are phenomenal in scope. You will think so too after studying some of their experiences of one year as recorded and illustrated on these pages.

Observation of UN Day

Bethesda FHA members observed UN day in a very interesting way. In preparation for the day the FHA girls planned a program for the entire school. Three foreign students were invited to participate in the program. One Chinese student, one from Germany, and one from India made the day a success. The first two periods of the school day were issued for the foreign students to visit all the classes of the high school in order that they might form better relationships with the entire student body. The third period of the day was devoted to a chapel program. The Indian girl did three Indian dances. The German girl, only 12 years of age, did a German song and explained the meaning of her native flag. The Chinese boy, working on a Ph.D in economics at the University of North Carolina, spoke on "Relative Characteristics of American schools to Chinese schools."

During the lunch hour, all of the FHA girls ate together and entertained the foreign students. The principal and local minister also ate with the group.

The afternoon was devoted to the touring of the grades 1-8. Each foreign student had something to say to each grade and the grades were given a chance to ask questions. Many questions, have been asked as to when the foreign students will be back and everyone was extremely interested in them. (See photo seven.)

Participation in the World Christmas Festival

Before the FHA meeting for packing boxes was held an FHA member notified grades 1-12 and explained why FHA girls were doing this and asked each grade to contribute something for the boxes. A list of materials which could be included were

given each room. On the morning of the gift wrapping day, FHA representatives collected the gifts, and so many people contributed each FHA member was bubbling over with enthusiasm. Every grade in the school contributed something. Our FHA meeting was devoted to packing boxes and after this day a letter was sent to each grade thanking them for their participation and helping to make this project a success.

By doing things of this nature, the FHA girls helped to interpret FHA to the entire school. (See photo number six.)

Fashion Show and Baby Contest

The Bethesda FHA members presented a fashion show, sponsored a baby contest, and enjoyed a social hour all in one afternoon. Some would think it couldn't be done, but it was. It must be admitted, however, that it was merely the climax of hours of preparation in careful planning and skillful execution. The Fashion Show consisted of the following: second year home economics class members who made woolen garments, adults who had been enrolled in an adult tailoring class, and third year home economics girls who made tailored garments.

Special attraction at intermission was a baby contest. A baby show had been scheduled about two weeks before the fashion show date. Each home economics girl sponsored a baby and was responsible for doing the campaigning for it. Votes were 1 penny and the baby receiving the most votes was crowned during the intermission. Before the announcing of the winner each participant was called to the stage, escorted by the Home Economics student sponsor, and introduced to the audience. Each was given an inexpensive present and then the winner was announced. The winner was given a complimentary photograph by one of the local photography shops.

By doing such a project as this, the entire family participated and there was extreme interest built up as far as home economics is concerned. (See photos one and two.)

Glamour Party

A glamour party was the program for one of our FHA meetings. It was most successful. A representative of a local beauty salon was on hand to give demonstrations and to

answer questions. Mothers of FHA girls were invited and any girl in high school who wanted to attend could do so. Refreshments were served by the FHA members. (See photos five and eight.)

FHA Mother-Father-Daughter Banquet

During the year the home economics department has been trying to make the program as family centered as possible. When time came for the FHA banquet several members asked why their father could not come. The FHA executive council met and discussed the pros and cons of the fathers attending the banquet and decided to let each girl vote secretly as to whether or not she wanted her father to attend. The majority voted to have their fathers come to the banquet.

Enough money had been raised to pay for the mother and daughter. The next question was "what shall we do about financing the fathers dinners?" This was discussed and since the year was practically gone, the group decided to have each girl pay for her father's plate.

Chapter mothers, a local department store, and FHA members worked beautifully together in getting food and decorations ready for the banquet. Every FHA member, was responsible for a duty and each chapter mother was responsible for some activity.

The school cafeteria was used to decorate as a summer flower garden and after the decorations were completed the atmosphere was wonderful. The windows were made into trees, the floor was covered with funeral grass, the little white picket fence was entwined with rose buds. In the center of the garden was placed a bird bath and fish pond, and the entrance which was an archway was beautifully labeled with red sparkling letters, "Welcome to the FHA Flower Garden." Most beautiful of all was the real yellow canary which chirped at intervals and made the flower garden a reality.

The program consisted of the following things:

1. One FHA girl gave a report entitled "What FHA Means to Me" which she had written for an English theme during the year.

2. Mr. C. H. Chewning, Durham County Superintendent spoke on "The Importance of Home Econom-

ics in the Secondary School Curriculum."

3. One FHA girl gave a report on the yearly work of the Bethesda FHA chapter. (This let the parents know what had been done in FHA. It was also a good evaluation for the principal and the FHA members.)

4. First and second degrees were issued by the local adviser.

5. A representative from the Belk-Leggett Store in Durham presented the chapter with a plaque to be used for the standards of achievements.

The girls came to the conclusion that we cannot have totally effective FHA programs unless the fathers as well as the mothers are included on all occasions and this year they plan to include them in their total program. (See photo nine.)

Participation in Farm Youth Festival

The Farm Youth Festival is held annually in Durham. The 1953 Farm Youth Festival was in co-operation with the Durham centennial and all of the floats represented in the parade were supposed to be of the centennial idea. The Bethesda FHA girls portrayed the old and the new schoolroom. For costumes the girls had to use their grandmothers' and great-grandmothers' clothing.

Chapter Project—"Helping Others"

A little girl about ten years of age was made extremely happy when FHA members made such a fuss over her last year. This was one phase of chapter's project—"Helping Others." The girls instructed and helped the child in grooming and presented her with gifts of clothing. All the first grade children were invited to the home economics cottage to see the department. They were served light refreshments and they played games under the supervision of the FHA girls. While this project helped others—it helped the FHA chapter also. It improved relationships and did much toward interpreting the FHA program to the school and to families in the community. (See photo three.)

Delegate Sent to National Convention

The Bethesda Chapter was one of the forty-three chapters in North Carolina represented at the National Convention in Columbus, Ohio during July. The chapter hopes now to benefit from the experiences of Fay Woody who was their delegate, and it is certain that Fay received untold benefits from her rich experience. (See photo four.)

Value of Pre-School Planning Is Self-Evident

More and more reports tell of chapter officers, county officers, and officers of bi-county, tri-county, and quin-county federations of the Future Homemakers getting together for a workshop before school opening. For most groups it is an occasion for serious and reflective thinking interspersed with periods of fun and recreation.

Rockingham County Future Homemakers Hold Officers Day

Wednesday, August 25, 1953 was officially declared O-day in Rockingham County when officers from the nine high schools of the county descended upon Mayo Park, Mayodan, N. C. for a leadership workshop and some Future Homemaker Fun. Small group meetings were held during the morning session, with officer training in mind. There was a separate group meeting for each office, led by a student with an adviser as a resource person. A bag lunch was enjoyed at noon with free milk for all. (See photo below.)

Reports were heard after lunch and the song leader group led in a song fest. The meeting was ad-

joined for swimming and games the remainder of the afternoon. This is the first meeting of this type ever to be held in Rockingham County and it was agreed by all to have been very successful. Each girl departed with "Let's do it again next year" on her lips.

Cumberland County has found that one of the best ways to stimulate and exchange ideas in Chapter work is to have a joint meeting of retiring and incoming presidents and chapter advisers. This meeting is held in the spring of each year. Here each Chapter reviews its year's accomplishments with special emphasis on project work and program planning. In this manner the incoming presidents receive inspiration and information to begin their years work.

The Durham-Orange bi-county federation held their workshop at Duke Park in Durham August 27th. An officer from each chapter was elected by his own chapter. A rotation system of officers similar to that used by the state association was planned, presented, and adopted. The FHA federation is eight years old.

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Time out for lunch! These girls are FHA officers in Rockingham County. Left to right: Ruth Carter, Mayodan; Jo Anne Carter, Wentworth; Frances Joyce, Mayodan; Nancy Chapman, Reidsville; Anne Jo Lawson, Madison (State Song Leader); Denecia Wheeler, and Jo Anne Lashley, Wentworth.

Chapter Chatter

Mills FHA is getting off to a big start; they're not letting any grass grow under their feet this year.

To start the year with a bang our chapter planned a hayride to Lake Glad for Tuesday, August 25. All those who will be new members this year were invited to join the old members.

Thirty-five girls, several visitors, a chapter mother, and FHA adviser met at Mills School to go to Lake Glad near Wendell for a picnic supper.

Upon arriving at Lake Glad the first activity was swimming. At 5:00 o'clock came the picnic, consisting of every type of food possible. After eating, the girls danced for several hours, then a watermelon cutting, followed by more dancing and joy ride home to tunes furnished by the girls.

To help make our chapter meetings more interesting this year, a special committee is planning new yearbooks. We have a designer working on a new type of cover, and the pages are to be mimeographed. These yearbooks are going to be our best yet. The theme for the year is "Knowing Your FHA."

This certainly is going to be a grand year for our FHA, for we have many things to look forward to. We have a tip-top chapter and we're all going to work together to make this the greatest year ever for FHA.

Boyden FHA Chapter held its final meeting for the 1952-53 school year in the home of Anne Lawson to install new officers and award homemaking degrees. It marked the winding up of a school year which was filled with many and varied activities.

At a meeting of Jane Grogan, Becky Shuping was elected delegate to the National FHA Convention which was held in Columbus, Ohio, July 2-8.

Becky is also parliamentarian for the local FHA. Other officers are: Sissy Swartz, president; Frances Lynn Foil, vice-president; Hope Edwards, secretary, and Jane Grogan, treasurer.

An important part of the FHA program is the FHA camp held each year at White Lake. At least seven Boyden FHA members planned to go in June: Nancy Clark, Hope Edwards, Jane Grogan, Loretta Jones, and Sissy Swartz. The purpose of the camp is to help members in problems concerning their club activities.

Miss Ann Hall, FHA adviser, says that the FHA camp has helped Boyden's club to come up from one of the poorest clubs in the county to one of the best. She also said that interest in Home Economics has been keen this year, with both boys and girls and that if enough boys showed interest next year an all-boy class will be planned with courses the boys would enjoy.

The Stedman FHA Chapter was very glad to have six delegates including their adviser to attend the National FHA Convention in Columbus, Ohio. The girls raised the money for the trip by soliciting business firms and working different projects in the community. We are very proud of Loyd Royal, a member of the senior class, who received her state degree in Raleigh last spring.

The Beaufort FHA Officers make plans early for an interesting and busy year. Ada Sue Owens, Reta Mason, Jane Safrit, Ada Mae Lewis, Faye Mason and Nancy Broda met in the home of their adviser before school opened to plan their activities of the year. During the meeting the officers planned their money making projects for the year. Chapter members will sell vanilla flavoring, Christmas cards, school emblems, school pencils and they will have a concession stand at the basketball games.

The members who sell the largest number of money making articles will receive prizes of sterling silver FHA pins.

The Beaufort FHA is planning to purchase a washing machine, a dryer, garbage disposal, automatic toaster and waffle iron for the homemaking department.

The chapter meetings will be held in the school auditorium every Thursday from 11:08 to 11:48. New officers will be installed at the first meeting, which will be held on Thursday, Sept. 17. The Future Homemakers of America and the Eighth Grade girls elected new officers last April.

The South Edgecombe officers of the FHA chapter were called together for a meeting by Miss Ruth Haislip, our adviser, on August 12 at the home of Mrs. George Webb.

The plans for the coming year were arranged. First, a social hour along with a short FHA program was planned in order for the freshmen girls to meet the FHA members and to get acquainted with the club. Any upper classmen girls who were interested in the FHA were invited also. Light refreshments of chocolate drop and refrigerator cookies, peanuts and fruit juice punch were planned.

As soon as the initiation of the new members is over, a candle light ceremony will be held to initiate the new members into the club.

As a result of some confusion over the refreshments at each meeting last year it was decided to have refreshments only on special occasions if desired by the club members.

Our chapter projects for this year are to buy an electric water cooler for the school and to plant red rose bushes on the school grounds.

Projects for the department are to fix a dressing room inside the home economics department for the sewing students to dress in and to buy more kitchen equipment.

FHA Degrees committee to be appointed at the first meeting.

Handbooks were partly planned. These books are to consist of the FHA song, creed, the different committees, plans for the year and other things which will help the FHA member.

This year we have a new home economics teachers, who is our FHA adviser also. We are looking forward to this year under the supervision of Miss Ruth Haislip originally from Oak City. We are sure she will help us improve our club and we know we will all benefit by her advice and co-operation among the Home Economics students and members. Good luck, Miss Haislip, for we are looking forward to this year with you.

The Bartlett Yancey chapter in Cleveland County has summer projects too. We wish all of you could see Jean Foster's project. Jean took her room for her project. She made a good plan then carried out the plan. First she wall-

papered her room in a lovely pattern of green, yellow and brown with a contrasting solid color around the windows, with yellow and brown with a contrasting solid color around the windows, with yellow organdy curtains. You would never know the her lovely dressing table was made of orange crates. It has a beautiful full flounce of matching materials. The bedspreads are green and she dyed the rugs to match.

Gerlyne Watson from Prospect Hill won honors in Home Economics last year. She has an average of 97. She has been an active member in FHA. She represented Yanceyville at the National Convention in Columbus.

We are now making plans for next year. We hope to get some shrubbery, some folding tables for cutting tables, a spigot on the outside, put down inlaid linoleum on the two kitchens and sewing laboratory floors. We have \$66.88 left from the PTA gift that we are saving to add enough to it to buy the linoleum this summer. We hope to have it put down before school starts.

We bought nine new reference books this year. We can't say they have been kept as clean as our walls. They have really been used. The name of some are "Teen times," "The Girl Grows Up," "Behave Yourself," "Your Carriage, Madam," "Personal Problems of the High School Girl," "If You Please," "House Furnishing," and other similar topics. You see by the title why we have used them.

Our hats are off to our librarian, Miss Theo Strum. She adds several new books in Home Economics to the Library this year. She has been a great help to us since we were short of textbooks. Many times she got together books for us.

We want to thank Mr. Abell for his interest and help to us last year. He has attended all our FHA meetings, and backed us in everything we have tried to do. He even came down and checked our clothing project. Why not? We have a book entitled "Men Wear Clothes, Too."

At the end of the school term last spring we helped Mrs. Wooten take inventory of all books and equipment. We also helped her with her annual report. We are so proud of the financial report that we are putting a copy of this in our scrapbook.

The John A. Wilkinson Chapter in Belhaven feels that having "Open House" in the home economics department is a good type of publicity. This they did last spring. Esther Leigh Hayes and Stephanie Fussell greeted guests at the door. Glenda Jordan served punch, and Barbara Davis and Carolyn Knickerbocker served sandwiches, cookies, mints and nuts.

The refreshment table was centered by a bouquet of red roses, the official FHA flower. Arrangements of spring flowers were used throughout the department.

Mount Holly Chapter reports on a Fashion Revue which was led by a Kiddie Parade. The parade featured young tots modeling their cool organdy dresses made by their older sisters.

A unique feature of the Kiddie Parade was Barbara Hoffman's baby brother who modeled from his stroller his yellow pique suit.

In every program, they say, is something that stands out just a bit more than the rest. The same held true with the Fashion Revue. What was this? The presentation of degrees. All this year the

girls had worked toward their degrees and the night of the Revue they were awarded certificates of achievement for their work. Later they will receive their keys or scrolls. How many girls received degrees? Fifty-one girls received the Junior Homemaker Degree and twenty-six received the Chapter Homemaker Degree. Isn't this working "TOWARD NEW HORIZONS"? For the first time in the history of our chapter, two people, Mr. W. L. Dixon, Principal of our school, and Mr. Ned Burgess, reporter for the "Mount Holly News," were presented an honorary award for their interest and co-operation in our organization.

GARNER'S CARAVAN

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the difference between the Jacquard Loom and the conventional type. There we saw patterns still being woven that were over twenty years old but still in demand by the American manufacturers and general public. We saw avenues of vocations open that we never knew existed before.

A trip through White Furniture Company at Mebane conducted by the President himself really increased our knowledge in selecting fine furniture and will prove valuable in years to come. Now we can talk intelligently about veneers and solid woods! We know that some of the lighter woods are birch, magnolia, and pine and the darker ones are mahogany and walnut.

By this time we were really beginning to look forward to getting home and telling everyone what we had done. After six-hundred miles of travel in our own state, we were more convinced than ever that North Carolina is the grandest state in the whole union—and after such a trip for six dollars and fifty cents plus meals, wouldn't you say so, too?

PRE-SCHOOL PLANNING

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The Quin-County Federation including Duplin, Sampson, Onslow, Jones, and Pender counties, have recently completed plans for the Quin-County Rally to be held during the spring of 1954. Mrs. Kathleen P. Snyder invited officers and advisers from all the chapters in the five counties to her sister's cottage at Carolina Beach. The rally is planned with emphases on more wholesome recreation.

In the Event Your Chapter Has Not Yet Affiliated

The mention of money and dues can be almost embarrassing, but each of us knows that an organization can not function and grow without funds. We can dream of a handsome inheritance from a rich uncle one of these days but at the present time we must struggle on our own. If you are confused about the amount of your dues perhaps the following explanations will answer your questions and clear all doubts.

This year the dues required to become affiliated with the state and national organization are 55c per member. Then in addition to this the districts voted to send an additional 10c per member for delegates' expenses to National and Regional meetings. This 10c is not mandatory for affiliation but the state executive board members also voted that it be sent in with the 55c dues. If 65c per member is sent to

the office it will be separated as follows:

15c is sent to the National Office

40c is deposited in State Treasury for the magazine, rallies, etc.

10c deposited in a special fund for delegates' expenses to National and Regional Meetings.

NEWSLETTER FEATURES

October—National Meeting, Pre-School Planning, Summer FHA Activities, Program for Year.

December — "What Christmas Means To Me," Publicity-Exhibits, Interpreting FHA, District Rallies.

March — Projects—Local, State, National, County, Bi-County, Tri-County and Quin-County Rallies, Money Making Projects.

May — The State Convention, Camp, Suggestions for Summer Activities, Announcing the Regional Meeting.

Are You Ready to Begin Work On Your State Degree?

If so, write to the state office and ask for *Declaration of Intention* blank. Fill in the blank and return to the office not later than November 15.

If you are beginning either the Junior or Chapter degrees why not order a personal copy of the booklet, *A Guide to Help You Grow As Future Homemaker of America* (30c per single copy) from: Future Homemakers of America, Office of Education, Room 4639 U. S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, Washington 25, D. C.

titled "The Emblem and What it Represents."

The FFA of Davis Townsend was in charge of the entertainment. Mr. Kearny, the adviser and director of the FFA led the boys and girls in "Getting Acquainted Games." Other games and folk dances were enjoyed by everyone. Refreshments were served buffet style.

The Bath Chapter of Future Homemakers of America are proud to announce that they are the winner of the first premium, which was \$30.00 for their exhibit they had on display at the Beaufort County Fair during the week of September 11-17.

The exhibit was based on how the eight purposes of the F.H.A. lead to or help us to understand and carry out the four purposes of the United Nations with emphasis of the fifth purpose of the F.H.A., "To promote International Good Will."

F. H. A. DAY AT THE
STATE FAIR
Friday, October 23.

JOINT FHA AND FFA MEETING

The FHA chapter of Fair Grove and the FFA chapter of Davis Townsend held a joint meeting in the Home Economics Department of Fair Grove. Around sixty members attended.

The FHA chapter of Fair Grove was in charge of the program en-

Our Officers Speak . . .

"Hi youse guys" was the common way I was greeted at the National Convention in Columbus, Ohio, but since I'm from the south and everybody says I have such a southern drawl I guess I'd better greet you with "Hey you all."

I'm Jean Faulkner, your past veep and present president. I hail from Red Oak situated in Nash County. I attend Red Oak High where I am a senior.

I am 17 years old a brownette with hazel eyes and a height of five feet four and one-half inches. My family consists of my parents and two younger sisters.

My favorite sport is basketball, my food shrimp and I like all my classes in school. Do I have a boy friend? Well, let's not go into that.

I belong to a number of clubs and organizations, I have been in the FHA for four years and during that time serving as reporter, treasurer, and president.

My denomination is Baptist and I'm the assistant pianist for my Sunday School Department. I also belong to the Y.W.A., a church organization.

The four largest breath-taking events in my past have been: being elected State Veep and President of the FHA, being selected as Chief Marshal for the Commencement exercises, having been given the invitation to attend the Army-Navy football game, and last but not least winning the County Conference and County Championship in basketball.

Upon graduating from Red Oak High I plan to enter Duke University and there major in Political Science. I've set my goal to become a lady lawyer and I hope I'll be able to accomplish this someday.

I think I can express what FHA has meant to me in one word, "everything." It has really taught me to meet and work with the public.

Before I sign off I'd like to say thank-you to a marvelous group of girls and teachers for the wonderful work you are helping carry on. I'm sorry I haven't gotten to meet all of you but before the year is over I hope I know each one of you personally.

Good-bye and I'll see you all at the State Convention or even before, who knows?

Jean Faulkner,
State President.

Hello there! I'm Betty Calhoun and your state vice-president for 1953-54. I'm going to tell you a little about me so we can become better acquainted.

I'm sixteen years old, and I'm a Junior in high school this year. I attend Seventy-first High School in Cumberland County, near Fayetteville. I adore going to school and I'll sort of regret it when I graduate. I'm a cheerleader and enjoy basketball and football games. The thing I like most about going to school is participating in FHA activities. We have a very active chapter in our school. My favorite subject in school is French.

My taste in clothes lean toward casuals. I'm more the "casual" type, being rather tall, five feet and six inches, and have brown hair and blue eyes. My favorite color in clothes is black.

I'm simply wild about hamburgers, chocolate shakes, long dangle earrings, ford convertibles, Frankie Laine, onions, Robert Wagner, crew cuts, blond-headed boys, and hats with long feathers.

I plan to attend either Flora MacDonald or Peace College. My ambition is to become State FHA adviser. Look out, Mrs. Coleman. I also want to get married someday.

My family is rather small, having only four members. I have a younger sister, Alice, who is thirteen years old.

My favorite part of FHA is the rallies which are held every year. I love to attend these rallies. You learn so much from them. It's always thrilling at the District Rallies to take part and watch the campaigns for office.

All the state officers, including myself, are looking forward to seeing you at the state rally. So good-bye for now.

Betty Calhoun,
Vice-President.

Garrie Freeman hails from Ruthersfordton-Spindale High School. Garrie is a 17-year-old senior and wants to attend W.C.U.N.C. next fall to major in home economics. She is always happy and always says "Just don't worry about it." Garrie enjoys sports, dancing, reading, and sewing. She makes most of her clothes. This year history is her favorite subject and French is the

most dreaded. Garrie is very active in her church and would like to go to Hawaii someday and teach.

Garrie says "The National Convention was the most wonderful experience I have ever had. I love FHA and certainly believe in it's purposes. It is certainly great being a state officer and I hope that the officers in the future will enjoy it as much as I. Don't forget to plan special publicity features for National FHA Week and to send your news to your state magazine. Publicize your club everywhere you go."

Garrie Freeman,
Reporter.

I don't know how much of this Mrs. Coleman will print, but we state officers have been asked to tell you FHA members who elected us just a little about ourselves.

My name is Glenda Noble. I have two sisters, one older, one younger. Until I entered high school (and pretended to grow up) I was the "boy" in the family. I live with my family on a 432-acre farm and we raise tobacco. In the summer I work at the barns six days per week.

When I entered high school and started taking Home Economics I became interested in FHA—nor, have I missed a school, county, district, or state meeting since. I have held various offices in my school and county and am now the state secretary.

I like variety—I am an active member of the Glee Club, Beta Club, 4-H Club, Church, M.Y.F., and am a cheerleader and teach the Primary Sunday School Class at my church.

Playing the ukelele is my present favorite pastime, although I used to be a "terrific shot" with an air rifle.

In looks—well, I suppose I am average, not pretty, anyway 5 ft. 4 inches tall, I have blond hair, brown eyes, and a fair complexion. By the way, I am 17 years of age.

I hope you feel that you know me better now. I do appreciate the wonderful opportunity you have given me of serving you and I am endeavoring to do my best as your secretary.

The FHA is a wonderful organization, but in it, too, you get from it what you put into it.

Glenda Noble,
State Secretary.

Future Homemakers of America

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We are the Future Homemakers of America
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope,
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking
Old and precious values.

For we are the builders of homes,
Homes for America's future.
Homes where living will be the expression of everything
That is good and fair.
Homes where truth and love and security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

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"The homes of tomorrow are in
the hands of the youth
of today"



CAROLINE SAYS:

You don't have to tell how you live each day;
You don't have to say if you work or you play;
A tried, true barometer serves in the place.
However you live, it will show in your face.

The false, the deceit that you bear in your heart,
Will not stay inside where it first got a start;
For sinew and blood are a thin veil of lace. . . .
What you wear in your heart, you wear in your face.

If your life is unselfish, if for others you live,
For not what you get, but how much you can give;
If you live close to God in His infinite grace. . . .
You don't have to tell it, it shows in your face

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What Christmas Means to Me



To me, Christmas involves the spirit of love and of giving both spiritual and material gifts which are ours if we have attained the true spirit of God. It is a time when mankind seems to forget its selfishness and considers the needs of its fellowmen. Christmas unveils the hearts of people and we see them as they are, in the image and likeness of God, expressing love as He would express it, by kindness. Some are able to express it by gifts of material wealth; others, only by love, but no matter what the nature of the expressions, Christmas is the season of good will toward men.

ELEANOR PAYNE
Ayden High School



Christmas is the most wonderful time of the year to me. Oh no, it's not because of the gifts I receive, but something even greater than that, a gift which was given to everyone nearly two thousand years ago; not a gift that will soon fade away but a gift that will always be ours if we will only accept it.

Everyone should give, not hoping to receive at Christmas; love, not hoping for love in return and in so doing we are presenting our gifts to Christ as the wise men did at Christmas Eve, long ago. On Christmas Eve we should take our Bibles and gather around the fireside and read together the story of our first Christmas and we would all get the true meaning of Christmas.

ANNIE MAE HOLLIFIELD
Weaverville FHA Chapter

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We Can Sell Our Program to Mr. and Mrs. John Doe

and Many North Carolina Chapters Are Doing Just That!

The most popular products on today's markets did not reach their stage of popularity entirely on their own merits. In a complex and competitive society as ours, the art of catching the eye of the public and getting the public alerted enough to see and appreciate the merits and value of a product sometimes requires ingenious techniques in dealing with people.

And so with an organization such as ours; we must exercise some special skills in putting our FHA program on the popularity list, and in seeing that our projects and activities are appreciated by others.

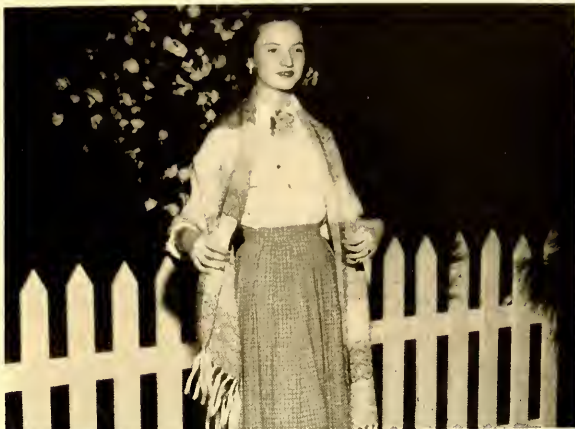
We realize that most of us are not naturally gifted with this particular artistry, but there are many practices with which we might experiment in learning to acquire this ability. We have no way to determine to what degree the techniques which were used by groups illustrated on these pages were successful but we have reason to believe that similar techniques could be tried by others with a deep sense of satisfaction that the results will be far reaching in informing our lay people of our true value.

The methods of interpretation used have been quite varied. Sometimes chapter advisers and members deemed it wise to (1) Spell out their accomplishments through media such as the television show, the newspaper, the radio program, floats at festivals, dramatizations, and various types of displays. (2) Interpretation at times was in the form of co-operation with various individuals and groups in projecting projects for improvement of conditions and for promotion of good public relations with people outside the organization. (3) A special effort to strengthen family living through special planned and organized programs is a method of interpretation used by some chapters. (4) Recruitment of members, even boys, through personal expressions of satisfactions gained from membership, may be one of the most valuable salesmanship techniques used by many.

1. Use of Television, Newspaper, Radio, Festivals, Exhibits, and Dramatization.

If the families in and around Mount Holly, and even Charlotte, are not informed of the benefits derived from Future Homemaker Activities, they have not been reading their newspapers; or they did not visit the Exhibit Hall at the Spindale-Center Fair; or possibly, they are not television fans. The Mount Holly Chapter has recently received much well-deserved publicity. It isn't too difficult to publicize when you have something to tell and the Mt. Holly Chapter had quantities and qualities about which they could inform people.

The following is what they proudly report:





Are you helping someone in need this Christmas?



This is the way we feel about our school!



Let's entertain during the holidays!

Approximately 15 chapter members appeared on television in a half-hour preview show of the Mount Holly Future Homemakers Gaston County Fair Exhibit. The program originated in the studios of station WBTV in Charlotte, with Jimmy Patterson of the station acting as Master of Ceremonies. The program was sponsored by the Spindale-Center Fair.

The first part of the program was a fashion show with FHA members as models. The garments were made by the models. Some were made from material manufactured by the American and Efird Mills, Inc.. Other garments were made from feed bags at very little expense. Pat Huffsteller—a candidate for the state degree—poses in her ensemble in Panel A, picture 1. Pat also made matching coat of same material of orlon and wool manufactured by American and Efird Mills. One special feature of this portion of the program was the Kiddie parade featuring children modeling garments made by FHA members—and the "Big Sister—Little Sister" models wearing garments made up in like design.

The narrators were FHA president Peggie Greene and Betty Gzeekowicz—a chapter member.

The second part of the program was devoted to exhibiting a sampling of the many, many articles which were to be on display at the fair the following week. These consisted of a variety of articles such as, stuffed animals, bedroom slippers, aprons, blouses, place mats, embroidered samples, and a tablecloth. Cost was announced for each item since it is important that the girls become consumer wise at the same time they are becoming creatively and mechanically trained.

During Fair Week 90 girls from the Mount Holly Chapter entered over 1,000 individual items.

Did you see Sue Simpson and Mrs. Pauline Kuykendall on WSJS Television on Monday, November 2? Sue is President of the Kernersville Chapter and Mrs. Kuykendall is the adviser. They had five minutes and did their part to put National FHA Week across in that section of the state.

The Taylorsville Future Homemakers won first place in their exhibit at the Alexander County Fair this fall. The theme of the exhibit was taken from one of the eight purposes of the FHA — Better Living Through Spiritual Training in the Home.

The title of the exhibit was "Religious Homes—Hope for the Future." The booth was built to represent the side of a house with a large picture window through which could be seen a little child kneeling beside her bed in prayer; beside her lay a Bible. The exhibit was outstanding in simplicity, neatness, and clarity of purpose.

Durham County residents should be better informed concerning the Future Home-

makers organization, since the Youth Festival Parade in Durham last spring. The FHA Float led the parade. The president of each chapter in the county was honored by appearing on the float in a beautiful formal gown, as pictured in panel A, No. 3.

Chapters in Forsyth County jointly sponsored two exhibits at the Forsyth County Fair last spring. Outsiders were bound to have taken note of the kindred spirit with which the girls seemed to work together in setting up the exhibit—an exhibit which in itself told a beautiful story. Each chapter in the county was responsible for helping prepare and arrange the exhibit as seen in panel A, picture 2.

2. Co-operation with Individuals and Groups Outside the FHA Organization.

How can one choose a better way to prove his worth than an honest sincere effort to help others in some way? Any small act of generosity may mean a wealth of benefits to someone else.

The Bragtown Chapter recently let the school administrators and parents know that they enjoy lending a helping hand. They prepared refreshments at the school to serve to visiting P.T.A. Members during "Open House" held in observance of Education Week. Helen Dunlap and Sylva Goodwin can be seen in Panel B, picture 3, as they prepare refreshments.

Also the Bragtown Chapter members sent packages to Korea for Christmas. Enough articles of clothing were included to furnish two average size families of 4 members. Some of the members can be seen in picture 1, Panel B, as they participate in the World Christmas and Chanukah Festival.

Students and faculty members alike should appreciate the efforts of the Pikeville FHA members, who cheerfully set about the task of "doing over" the sick room. They wanted to make the room as pleasant and attractive as possible for those patients who occasionally, due to unexpected illnesses, find it necessary to spend hours there. You can see them in action in picture 2, Panel B.

3. Special Effort to Strengthen Family Living.

An evening of pleasure for the whole family was spent in Bath on October 28, with the Bath FHA Chapter furnishing the entertainment. After an eventful day of informal initiation at school, old and new members and their families gathered together for an evening of fellowship and enjoyment. Part of the program was inspirational and part of it was light entertainment.

The six chapter mothers were recognized for their parts in the program.

To climax the evening everyone was invited over to the Home Economics building for a silver tea. There was plenty of food, fun and laughter for all of the 200 people who attended.

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Wah!!! She isn't my mother!



FHA'ers we are no longer a Sorority.



"We are proud of our accomplishments."

DISTRICT I
Pamlico County High School
Bayboro, N. C.
Peggy Spruill, Presiding

Nearly 700 Future Homemakers of America with their guests and advisers attended the annual fall rally Saturday, October 3 at Bayboro's Pamlico County High School. More than 50 schools in the 16 Eastern Carolina Counties were represented.

S. R. Cotton, principal of the host school and A. H. Hartsell, superintendent of Pamlico County Schools, greeted the group and expressed interest in the work of the clubs.

Miss Shirley Rouse, of Winterville, was elected state secretary.

Ideas developed in the national convention held in Columbus, Ohio, during July were presented at the District I meeting by Mrs. Pauline H. Robbins, district adviser and Pamlico County High teacher. Miss Peggy Spruill, state treasurer and a member of the Pamlico County Chapter, and Miss Becky Gaylord of the Roper Chapter.

"This Is Our Creed," a dramatization produced by the Pitt County Federation and which followed a similar dramatization given at the national convention highlighted the day. This dramatization forcibly reminded those present of the importance of FHA on the local, state and national level.

Mrs. Robbins expressed her sincere appreciation to her fellow teachers and the students of the high

school for their splendid cooperation which helped make the program a success.

DISTRICT II
Morehead City High School
Glenda Noble, Presiding

Over 650 Future Homemakers of America members registered for District II Rally in Morehead City on October 17. The girls came from 43 schools throughout the 21-county district. A square dance demonstration was given by the La Grange Chapter. The theme of the meeting was "Homes for America's Future." A very impressive pageant "This Is Our Creed" was presented by the Wilson County Federation. Mr. Jack Humphery, principal of the Lucama High School directed the pageant. An FHA flag made by Peggy Taylor, of the Warsaw Chapter, was presented at the rally for the first time. It is the first FHA flag made in North Carolina and from our present knowledge the second in the United States. You will hear more about this later. The State Vice-President for 1952-55 was elected at the rally. She is Carroll Lynn Garris from the Pikeville Chapter, Wayne County. The district adviser for this year is Mrs. Clara B. Reid, Richlands, and the adviser for the Morehead City Chapter is Mrs. Delfido Cordova.

DISTRICT RALLIES SPOTLIGHT

DISTRICT III
Fairview Heights School
Hamlet, N. C.
Betty Calhoun, Presiding

The 1953 District III Rally of the Future Homemakers of America was called to order by the State Vice-President, Betty Calhoun, at the Fairview Heights School in Hamlet, October 10.

Hilda Manes, Red Springs Chapter, modeled the National FHA jacket, which was adopted this summer at the National Convention in Columbus, Ohio.

The Stedman Chapter gave an interesting skit on their trip to the National Convention in Ohio.

Relaxers were given by the acting president.

The special feature of the morning program was a fashion show given by Mrs. Kay Wittemore from Kay's in Rockingham.

The afternoon session opened with the Hamlet Chapter presenting a most enjoyable show entitled "Arthur Godfrey and His FHA Friends." It was based on Arthur Godfrey's Round the Calendar TV Show.

The Chapter Mothers and Fathers were recognized and each was given a red rose, the club flower, from the beautiful flower arrangement that we had enjoyed throughout the day.

DISTRICT IV
Fuquay Springs High School
Fuquay Springs, N. C.
Jean Faulkner, Presiding

The annual meeting of District IV met on October 10, 1953 in the Fuquay Springs High School with more than 800 attending.

The principal of Fuquay Springs High School, Mr. E. N. Farnell, and two Fuquay FHA members welcomed us to their school. Mr. Farnell also talked about FHA and its importance.

The election for state song leader came next. Candidates were: Patsy Ingram, Patsy Jackson, Sarah Eason, Billie Jean Parker, June Watson, Ann Wilson, and Dixie Jackson. These candidates were voted on to determine the top three.

The report of the National Convention held in Columbus, Ohio, was given by Miss Dennis, and a group



A Scene at District VIII Rally at the Lee Edwards School

THE NEWS AGAIN THIS FALL



The LaGrange Dance Team at District II

of girls told of their interesting experiences while attending the National Convention.

An interesting show of the early styles was given.

Barbara Adams, of Fuquay, then sang "Summertime."

Following this came another fashion show, only this time the girls were modeling styles of 1953. The fashion shows were put on by FHA members from Fuquay and Wendell, and Belk-Tylers, of Wendell and Fuquay.

Chapel Hill and Franklinton issued invitations for the 1954 rally.

Immediately following this the president announced that the votes for state song leader had been counted and that Sarah Eason had been elected.

The meeting was then adjourned.

DISTRICT V

W. C. U. N. C., Greensboro
Anne Jo Lawson, Presiding

District V is getting bigger and better each year. There were 548 people present at the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina in Greensboro on October 24. There were 485 chapter members, 35 advisers, 2 fathers and 14 mothers, and 12 guests. There were six

candidates for State Historian. Winners in the final run-off were Judy Bowman from Alexander Wilson High School, Historian; Maholia Lemons, Stokesdale High School first alternate, and Audrey O'Farrell second alternate.

DISTRICT VI

Wadesboro High School
Wadesboro, N. C.

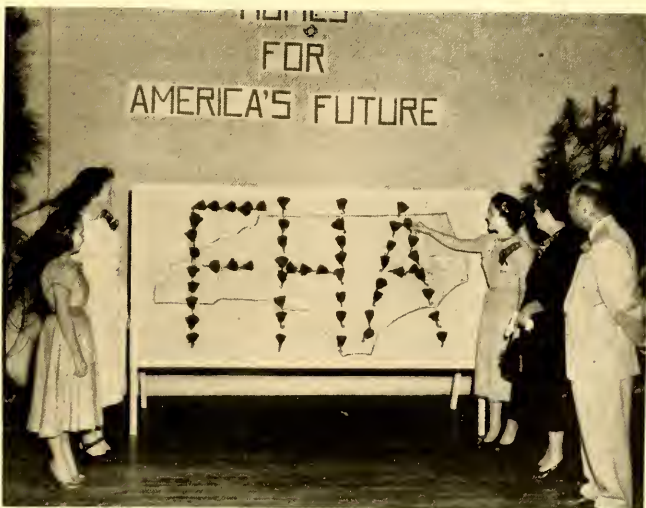
Evelyn Bruton, Presiding

Wadesboro was the scene of District VI Rally on November 14 with the Wadesboro FHA members acting as hostess.

After an inspirational devotional by the Marshville Chapter the visitors were welcomed and greeted by the following people: Mr. W. L. Wildermuth, Supt., Wadesboro City Schools; Mr. J. C. Baucum, Principal, Wadesboro High School; Mr. J. O. Bowman, Supt., Anson County Schools.

The main feature of the morning program was the speech by Miss Laurie White, Director of Teen-age Activities of the Y.W.C.A. of Charlotte.

The afternoon feature was none other than a skit prepared and presented by the Wingate Chapter. The skit entitled "Carolina Goes Places" presented a revealing story of how our National Future Homemakers Organization operates. Frances Burris, one of twelve of our national officers and her chapter adviser, Mrs. Violet Horne, came back from the National Executive Council Meeting in Chicago with a deeper appreciation of FHA and great pride in North Carolina's place in the National organization. Part of the skit is being published in this very magazine.



Roll Call at District I Rally—Shirley Rouse who was Newly Elected State Officer, Mrs. Pauline Robbins, District I Adviser, Peggy Spruill, State Treasurer and Peggy's Mother and Father, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Spruill, Honorary Chapter Parents for the day.

WE CAN SELL

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Jean Jenkins is a member of the Garner Chapter. She should be better prepared for the responsibility of parenthood after practicing all the chores of a young mother including living through those moments of crisis when there seems to be just no way out. As she takes over the care of a young one, seen in picture 1, Panel C—can't you just hear her say "Now let's see! Do you suppose this will do the trick?"

4. Recruitment of Members.

Whenever an FHA girl writes about the accomplishments of her chapter and expresses pride in the progress of the chapter it is certain that others in her chapter catch her enthusiasm and spread it to outsiders—the final result is—increased membership.

Peggy Norman, Publicity Chairman of the Shelby chapter writes: "Our chapter is proud of its accomplishments toward interpreting FHA to the public, and we will be honored to have a picture and write-up in the FHA magazine."

By October 20 Shelby Chapter had sold 150 Shelby High Pennants. Money earned will be used for improvement of the chapter and participation in service projects. Fifteen members won prizes at the Cleveland County Fair. Members made and sold candy at the Halloween Carnival.

An inactive chapter may soon fade away—so the secret of recruitment is to keep something going all the time and *remember* the ability to enjoy doing things whether it is work or play rests within one's self.

The Shelby Chapter observed National FHA Week with great enthusiasm. The various projects undertaken during the week were well received by the public.

Among the projects were making and selling candy, selling Shelby High Pennants, placing a red rose on the desks of each of the faculty members, and sending notices to the various churches of Shelby so that these notices would appear in the bulletins sent out weekly by the churches in our city. Several of the girls in our club planned to set out red rose bushes. Two projects of the Shelby Chapter are illustrated in picture 3 of Panel C. One is the sale of Shelby High Pennants for funds to expand their program. The other project is planting rose bushes on a church lawn and later presenting red roses to faculty members during FHA Week.



Girls From Rockingham Taking Part in the Fashion Show at District III Rally in Hamlet

DISTRICT VII Mineral Springs High School Mineral Springs, N. C.

Jo Ann Woosley, Presiding

The District VII Annual Rally of the Future Homemakers of America met at the Mineral Springs High School in Forsyth County, October 10, 1953, with more than 800 in attendance.

Miss Becky Shuping, from the Boyden Chapter in Salisbury, gave a most interesting report of the National Convention she attended in Columbus, Ohio, in June.

The attendance prize was won by the Woodleaf Chapter with 41 present. For the largest numbers of mothers present the Denton Chapter won.

Every one was then entertained by a wonderful movie entitled, "The Home Economics Story."

The Yadkin County Chapter closed the program with the FHA Emblem Service.

DISTRICT VIII Lee Edwards High School Asheville, N. C.

Garrie Freeman, Presiding

Over 900 FHA members, chapter parents and advisers were present for the District VIII Rally which was held in the Lee Edwards High School in Asheville, North Carolina October 17, 1953. A unique and interesting way for reporting the National Convention was used in the form of an exhibit. High-lighting the morning program was a talk "Better Homes for America's Future" by the Reverend Warren R. Thurston, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Hendersonville. The entertaining features of the afternoon session were the Style Show given by the Lee Edwards Chapter and a square dance team from the Vance School.

Garrie Freeman and Louise Coston, of the Etowah Chapter, reported of the National Convention.

FROM THE EAST MECKLENBURG CHAPTER COMES THIS REPORT:

This year in our FHA here at East Mecklenburg, we are very fortunate in having boys in our FHA. Some of them can be seen in picture 2, Panel C. They have been taking an active part in the work of our chapter and we feel that we should pass this on to other chapters.

An original poem was prepared at one of our meetings.

This year in our FHA,
We are privileged in a special way;
We have added something new.

Tall, dark, and handsome might give you a clue.

To be in FHA, as in the rule book,
You must journey one year, into the home ec. nook.

Boys have, at last, found a way,
To enter the "girls'" FHA.

Home Arts is one course they may take,

And family life will give them a break.

Either of these two give them the right,

To view FHA from an inside light.
If your chapter wants this same privilege as we,

Get busy and work and make out a key,

A key to success and luck on the way,

Just simply this, boys in FHA.

It seems only fair that the disguised efforts of the Chapter advisers should be recognized in this whole matter of interpretation. Where a good program is in progress, members would do well to pay tribute to their chapter adviser. Chapter advisers feel rewarded for their efforts in the evidences of growth and improvement of the members with whom they work, but they, too, may need to feel appreciated by you.

COVER PICTURE

Hugh Morson Chapter is beginning again their Annual Christmas Festival. These three leaders shown on the cover are fixing one of the many boxes that will be turned in to the Welfare Department for needy families in Raleigh. The School project is sponsored by the FHA but cannot be a success without the help of everyone in school. Clothing, toys and canned foods are collected by the FHA girls. Left to Right—Beverly Wecker, representing first year girls (Unit President); Mary Lou Parker, President of the FHA Chapter; June Watson—Vice-President of the FHA Chapter.

Chapter Chatter

B. F. Grady Chapter had fun and at the same time made their initiation program meaningful this year. The reporter Charlotte Outlaw writes, "Our initiation lasted only one day. All new members wore red and white ensembles which included an apron that they had made themselves, a new 'hair-do,' and a red rose.

Each new member did something nice for each of her teachers and reported this to an old member at the end of the day. The teachers in our school remarked that this was the nicest initiation we had ever had.

The night initiation consisted of a picnic supper for new members and chapter mothers and fathers, more initiation, and recreation. Initiation and recreation included sack racing, rolling a peanut across the gym floor, the bunny hop and others.

The **Oxford FHA** members decided that one activity which would help to increase their membership would be to entertain the freshman girls early in the year even before school opening. Pat Dickerson sent in the following report: On Friday, September 4, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Home Economics Cottage last years FHA'ers entertained at a coca-cola party for the high school Freshmen girls and their mothers.

The cottage was beautifully decorated with summer flowers and exhibits of refinished furniture which was done by the Home Economics classes. A complete fall wardrobe was displayed which was made by the classes. The FHA girls wore dresses which they had made.

The dining room table was centered by a bread tray in which were coca-colas and ice. Flowers and magnolia leaves were used around the tray.

The **Granite Quarry Chapter** observed National FHA Week with a full schedule of activities. The program started Sunday with church services honoring chapter mothers. Monday a box was sent overseas to underprivileged children. Tuesday the members attended the rally at Boyden High School. Wednesday members gave roses to all high school teachers and Thursday they displayed their work. Friday there was a candy sale.

The **Wincoff Future Homemakers of America**, with a membership of 79 organized in August. Officers are the same as last year except for two senior replacements. Shirley Garver succeeded Ann Garver as vice-president and Sue Chewing replaced Nancy White as historian.

The first meeting was a social honoring the new members. At the second meeting the point system was discussed, and new members were told how they could become eligible for FHA Degrees.

A movie, "Choosing Your Marriage Partner," was shown at the next meeting. Selling Christmas and all occasion cards is the club's treasury-building project.

The chapter sent several representatives to the district rally at Wadesboro on November 14.

Oakley FHA members observed National FHA week as follows:

Monday was initiation day when 28 new members were taken into the school chapter.

The new members were dressed in

something red and white, with an apron, arm band, a vegetable, some jewelry, and each carried a household utensil. Other members wore the FHA badge which they had made in class.

Tuesday was school day. Each teacher was given a red rose, and each allowed a few minutes during homeroom period for discussion on "What is FHA?"

Wednesday was health day. Carrot parties were planned for the first and second grades, and FHA members gave talks. Movies were shown to high school students.

Thursday was chapter day, and the girls presented an original skit and fashion show. The skit was entitled "Everyone Has a Fairy Godmother." Skirts and blouses were modeled by the members.

Friday was "Share-With-Others-Day." The main feature was a silver tea for members, faculty and parents. Funds will be used for the project—shoes for children overseas.

A FHA bulletin board was featured in the main hall and the homemaking room.

The **Taylorsville Chapter** of the Future Homemakers of America observed National FHA week with a full schedule.

On Sunday the girls attended church in a group at the Presbyterian Church. On Monday they planted a red rose on the school ground. Committee meeting was held on Tuesday to work on plans for the years program. Posters were made for display on Wednesday. Packages for "Friendship Among Children and Youth" have been mailed already for observance of one of the national projects of the FHA—to promote International Goodwill. To wind up the week the girls held their annual "Slumber Party" in the Department. They assembled in the room and left in time to attend the football game, after which refreshments were served in the room. Then each girl having brought her own blankets, they bunked down for the night—but not to sleep. Mrs. Young, their adviser, Mrs. Ridenhour, and Mrs. Mando were the chaperons for the party. **Red Springs FHA'ers** who are enrolled in Home Economics I Class learned about freezing on September 15 when they observed operations at the local freezer locker plant. We were introduced to Mr. Clark, who explained things to us.

First we were taken to the back of the plant where the meat is brought in and weighed. Next, we were shown the boiler where the lard is cooked. From there we went to a room where meat is smoked. This room was very interesting, but we moved on to the chilling room where meat is chilled before freezing.

We were next shown the different articles in the main room such as the chopping tables, the electric saw, the meat grinder, and the place where the meat, after being cut, is packaged and stamped with the date and locker number of the person it belongs to.

We continued on to the curing room where hams, shoulders, legs, etc., hang.

As we came to the end of the main room we were taken on a tour of the coldest locker room. Later we were shown the individual lockers and the place where the school's meat is kept.

Boyden chapter has 48 new members this year. The total enrollment is 86 which is the largest enrollment in its history. This is one indication that the chapter has been alive and active and that leadership has been exercised.

Congratulations Are Now In Order to DISTRICT VII

The State Association of Future Homemakers recently received from District VII a check for \$50.00 as a contribution to the Permanent Camp Fund. The Association wishes to thank every member in District VII for making this contribution possible.

To Miss Annie Hall, adviser of the Boyden Chapter in Salisbury, we are indebted for the story about the contribution.

Interest in FHA (Club) work has always been high in District VII. When the old student club work was reorganized in 1943 into the present FHA under the State Department this took place at an all-day meeting in Salisbury as it was centrally located.

The new organization grew and by 1946 the state newsletter was being printed and Mrs. Will Frances Sanders was state adviser. Mrs. Julia Slate, of Spencer, was district adviser and was urging all Rowan schools to organize clubs. Surry County was already well organized and Elkin had had one or two district rallies. The district rally this year was held at Boyden with all of the clubs in the county as joint hostess. This was a large meeting with 200 delegates present. A hot meal was served by the Home Economics Department.

In 1947 Mrs. Jacqueline Leonard, of Lexington, was adviser and nearly 300 were present at the meeting in Elkin again. Miss Mary Holland invited the group to meet at the lovely Y there each year, but it was decided that rotating around the district would be better.

The next year the district rally was open to all who wished to come instead of a delegated group. That practice has been followed ever since. Mrs. Lois Robertson, of King, was adviser and 520 girls and advisers met at Griffith High School near Winston-Salem. This was the year "More bags" and picnic lunches became the Vogue. In 1949 around 600 met at Flat Rock High School near Mt. Airy with Miss Mary K. Williams of Cleveland adviser. This was the first year the programs were printed.

In 1950, 683 girls, advisers and chapter parents met in Thomasville with Mrs. Emma Robertson of Union Grove adviser. Again picnics were the Vogue—in the gym this

time. Chapter parents were urged to advisers were beginning to talk of a surplus that had accumulated from the 10c registration fees charged. A committee was appointed to decide what to do with this money.

In 1951 Mrs. Elizabeth M. Greene, of Winston-Salem, was adviser and there were 564 present at the rally in Mocksville. An outdoor picnic and a luncheon for special guests in the Home Economics lab were high-lights.

Mt. Airy's lovely new high school was the scene of the 1952 rally with Miss Anne Hall, of Salisbury, adviser. A preliminary planning program in the spring, and attendance prize and an effort to get each

county participating brought the attendance at this meeting to 941. Club mothers and fathers were honored by presenting a red rose to each one present. In 1953 the district again met at a lovely new building, Mineral Springs High School, with Mrs. Ethel Bailey, of Mt. Airy adviser. 854 were present. At this time the committee appointed to take care of the surplus presented 2 felt emblems and a banner that had been bought. They also recommended that a \$50.00 contribution be made to the Permanent Camp Fund. This was passed unanimously by the advisers and then by the girls.

Each successful rally has helped build up interest in the district. Large attendance and careful hoarding of the left over balance from each meeting still leaves District VII with a small nest egg to get ready for the next meeting.

Requirements For FHA Degrees

JUNIOR HOMEMAKER DEGREE

1. Know: (a) The Creed; (b) The 8 purposes; (c) The Motto; (d) The prayer song; (e) The state and/or chapter song.

2. Be able to explain: (a) The emblem; (b) The colors; (c) The flower.

3. Be familiar with the FHA constitution.

4. Applicant must have successfully passed ½ year of home economics.

5. Applicant must attend 95 per cent of her chapter meetings.

6. Applicant must have served on at least three committees for FHA.

7. She must have assisted with 3 of the following: (a) FHA banquets; (b) Sending gifts overseas for those in service; (c) Collecting and distributing clothing to needy families; (d) Selling to make money for the chapter; (e) FHA club project; (f) Major improvements in the H. E. department or cottage; (g) Others.

8. Has officially been admitted to a Future Homemaker chapter.

9. Help to further interest in the organization by explaining the emblem, the colors and the flower to a new member or one who has not yet worked on her first degree.

10. Has purchased and wears her FHA pin.

11. Must have Junior Home-

maker Degree to be a local officer other than president.

CHAPTER HOMEMAKER DEGREE

1. Set some goals which you need to work toward to improve: (a) Your local FHA chapter; (b) A community club.

2. Make a definite contribution to your club in the form of a: (a) Program; (b) Social activity; (c) Selling \$10.00 worth of merchandise for FHA.

(Have these approved by the Adviser)

3. Applicant must have attended at least one District Rally.

4. Applicant must have been chairman of one committee since receiving Junior Homemaker Degree.

5. Has successfully completed one year of home economics.

6. Has made an original contribution to her club in one of the following ways: (a) Club song; (b) FHA poem; (c) History of organization; (d) Playlet concerned with some phase of FHA; (e) Paper on "What FHA has Meant to Me."

7. Take an active part in at least one Chapter Program.

8. Has had one home project concerning community or family relationships.

9. Must have Chapter Degree to be president of any FHA organization.

"Caroline Goes Places"

Written and Produced by Wingate F. H. A. Chapter.

Stage arrangement: 1 sofa, 3 arm chairs, table with bowl of fruit, and magazine rack.

Properties: 1 *True Confession* Magazine, 1 Funny Paper, 1 Space Cadet Comic, and Posters of Magazines.

Curtain: Girls are lounging in living room on chairs and sofa reading comics, books, true story and comic strips. General chatter about school, what characters in books are doing and etc.

Frances Mangum: Oh, Boy! I see where Tom Corbett is going on another space trip—I can't wait to see what happens.

Kathryn: Speaking of trips, I can't wait to hear about the space trip Frances Burris and Mrs. Horne took. You know they went to the National Executive Council and Advisory Board Meeting in Chicago.

Mary Wilson: I paid 10c to help send delegates to our national meeting and I want to know how they spent my dime.

(Frances Burris enters)

Frances B.: Hi, girls. What's new? Let me in on the latest news.

Kathryn: We were just wondering about your trip to Chicago.

Linda: Did you learn anything?

Mary Wilson: Did you have a good time?

Frances M.: Did you meet any cute boys?

Frances B.: Wait a minute girls, we went to Chicago for strictly business reasons, although we did have a wonderful time. I didn't meet any cute boys but I met plenty of important people. Take Mrs. Scruggs for instance—She is a neat looking woman of about—well I don't know how old she is but she has brown hair and a nice figure and a wonderful personality. Miss Dicks, our assist. National Adviser is just darling—cute as a doll—only weighs about 100 lbs., and her clothes always look smart. I met Miss Anadon, who is National Adviser of Home Econ. and she is as smart as a whip.

Kathryn: Say, Frances your F. H. A. pin really looks good on that sweater.

Frances B.: That's something else—you girls should be proud to be a

member of the F. H. A. and wearing your pins is one way you can let people know you are a Future Homemaker.

Mary Wilson: Frances, I see you have both your Chapter and Junior homemaker keys on.

Frances B.: Yes, we discussed the wearing of pins in Chicago. A recommendation was made that the girls be allowed to wear all their keys instead of just one, since, a girl has to work hard to earn her Junior, Chapter, and State degrees.

Linda: You know wearing your pins are good advertisement for F. H. A.

Frances B.: That's something else we discussed in Chicago. We should give F. H. A. all the publicity we can. When we were discussing publicity for F. H. A. we decided to go down to Don McNeil's Breakfast Club. We got up at six o'clock one morning and went down but it was worth losing a little sleep. We were recognized as Future Homemakers and why we were in Chicago. Our national president was on the quiz program. The radio always makes good publicity for F. H. A. Let's let our home folks know what F. H. A. really means.

Frances M.: My mother and father and little sister know what it is. But I was just wondering if Tony Curtis knows.

Freida: How about the folks next door? Do they know what it means?

Kathryn: Say, why couldn't we send an F. H. A. girl to the different clubs and organizations in our towns and let them explain to them what we do and what we stand for.

Frances M.: I'll be glad to go to the Lion's Club.

Freida: I'll go to the Woman's Club.

Linda: I'll go to the Rotary Club.
Mary Wilson: I'll go to the Civitan Club.

Frances M.: That's a splendid suggestion. Let's make plans to do this right away.

(Model enters wearing F. H. A. jacket.)

Frances M.: Look at Lou Anne and what she is wearing.

Model: This is our new F. H. A. jacket—Isn't it smart looking?

Linda Moore: I've just got to have one—But how can I ever get the money?

Mary Wilson: Think I'll cut out cokes and some comics.

Frances M.: Yep, but what are you going to read when you aren't studying?

Frances B.: You girls surprise me. We have splendid reading material in our Home Economics Dept.

(*Teen Times* and *N. C. State Magazine* enters crying, they are wearing plaques that are duplicate of the front and back covers of October issue of *Teen Times* and *N. C. FUTURE HOMEMAKERS.*)

Frances M.: Say, what are you bawling about?

Teen Times: No one ever reads us.

State Mag.: Yes, and we are filled with ideas and news about F. H. A.

Frances M.: Well, what do you know.

Teen Times: Do you know it cost \$60,000 a year to publish me and then you don't read me. (Cries.)

Frances M.: Say, What is in you that cost so much?

Teen Times: (Points to girls on stage) How many of you have read this special issue? (Tells what is found in her.)

I have been neglected and my feelings are hurt, especially when I have such interesting articles as I have in my new edition. (Explanation of the contents of magazine.)

Freida: Texas leads the nation in total number of chapters. But would you believe that N. C. is in fourth place with a total number of 426 chapters?

Frances: It is wonderful that N. C. is so outstanding in F. H. A. work. Lets strive to make it even better.

Frances M.: You know I have a heart of stone but this makes me feel bad. I'm throwing away this space cadet comic book.

Freida: Yes, here goes this true confession.

Kathryn: Here goes the funnies.

State Mag.: That makes us feel better.

Teen Times: Yes, if you once read us we know you will learn to love us. (Exit—happy and laughing.)

Linda: I can't wait until I get to school tomorrow. I'm going to see if I can't find all those interesting things in *Teen Times* and our *NORTH CAROLINA FUTURE HOMEMAKERS MAGAZINE.*

Frances M.: I sure would like to know what went on at the National Convention.

Frances B.: Evelyn Bruton was there. Tell us about it Evelyn. (Evelyn tells about the Convention.)

Frances B.: Girls, we've got to get out of here. This is our Daddy-Date night.

Future Homemakers of America

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We are the Future Homemakers of America
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope,
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking
Old and precious values.

For we are the builders of homes,
Homes for America's future.
Homes where living will be the expression of everything
That is good and fair.
Homes where truth and love and security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

We are the Future Homemakers of America.
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope.



"The homes of tomorrow are in
the hands of the youth
of today"



CAROLINE SAYS:

*Jackie Shaw, president of Oxford F. H. A. takes
credit for this beautifully expressed sentiment on*

"What Christmas Means to Me."

"What is it about Christmas that makes my heart beat faster, my eyes sparkle with anticipation, and my lips open voluntarily in a joyous smile? It is something more than the prospect of the nice long holiday from school and the gifts under my Christmas tree on Christmas: it is the Christmas spirit. Christmas trees, gay paper and tinsel, Santa Claus—all are symbolic of happiness and gaiety. Why am I happy and gay? Surely not because of the material things connected with Christmas although they do play a part, but I am happy because I know that no matter what happens there will always be a wonderful gift that only One has the power to give. Jesus Christ was God's Christmas gift to the world. This gift is one that never grows old but becomes more meaningful as the years pass; it is a gift that offers never-ending service, yet never loses its beauty. This is the true meaning of Christmas to me."



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Peggy Spruill, State Treasurer, goes to the Florida State Fair in February to represent our North Carolina Future Homemakers Association. Says Peggy: "Every young girl has dreams, ideals, and ambitions concerning every phase of her future life. After having been associated with and participated in a modern home economics department and the Future Homemakers of America, which is so intimately connected with the department, I feel that my life has been enriched. I trust that in choosing home economics as my life's work I may guide others to a richer and fuller life."

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FHA PROJECTS . . .

Home, School, Community, State, and National Individual-Wise and Group Wise

There is something about the word *Project* which seems to connote *Challenge* — challenge for FHA members and FHA chapters to swing into action. A unique characteristic of a project as against some other activities or experiences is that a project indicates a planned, designed, or schemed activity involving constructive thinking with perhaps some theorizing.

Although every individual affiliated chapter should have received a copy of the National Program of Work for 1953-54, and the chapter programs have probably long since been carefully planned, but based on the many requests for program ideas it seems advisable that we emphasize and re-emphasize the importance of using this National Program of Work as a guide throughout the year. It is hoped that every member of a program committee, of a projects committee, and in fact, every member will review the varied, practical, and almost innumerable suggestions for individual and group activities listed under the four big goals for the year!

Goal I. Developing greater understanding among the homes of the world.

Goal II. Training and improving ourselves to be more democratic in all phases of life.

Goal III. Teaching ourselves to realize and accept our responsibilities in our home.

Goal IV. Understanding what home-making can contribute to our future lives at home or in business.

Future Homemakers in other states have also expressed need for help in making the most use of the National Program of Work. During August 1953, when the North Central Area of Tennessee held its Fourth Annual FHA Workshop, the main goal of the workshop was to help chapters see better ways of using and interpreting the National

Program of Work in the local chapter. A publication of the results of the workshop is in the North Carolina State Office. Scripts for four programs with a description of how they were developed are included. These were presented to the 150 advisers and members present at the workshop to illustrate ways in which chapters can develop programs from the suggested ideas included in the National Program of Work. The scripts were meant to offer suggestions for use of the Program of Work in developing scripts and programs rather than to be presented as they were written.

National Projects

Families Together—FHA Week— Civil Defense—World Christmas Festival—UNESCO

The only additional one this year is Safety and Civil Defense. Pen Pals are no longer a national project but they can be a personal or chapter project. Addresses can be obtained by writing to one of organizations listed in the Special Fall Issue of *Teen Times*. This issue of *Teen Times* was sent to all chapters affiliated for 1952-53. New chapters who do not have this issue may get the information by requesting it from the State FHA Adviser. One address listed in *Teen Times* is Student Letter Exchange, Mr. R. C. Mishek, General Manager, Waseca, Minnesota. Ages 10-20 Fee: 15c a name.

The echoes—from all corners of the State—concerning the observance of National FHA Week this year have been encouraging notes. In FHA, as with other phases of the home-making program, stronger chapters seem to result when chapters in a county unit join forces and plan and work co-operatively on common interests. The unit may con-

sist of more than one county, of course. In regard to FHA Week, many groups reported observing the week on a co-operative county basis. One example is the Cumberland County Federation. Early in the year a meeting was called of the chapter advisers and FHA representatives of the six chapters, whose membership totals 538. Activities for each chapter for each day of FHA Week were carefully planned. Consideration was given to the publicity as well as to the recommendation for participation in other national projects during the week.

In Durham County representatives from the various chapters called on the Chairman of the County Board of Commissioners, Mr. George F. Kirkland, who proclaimed the Week of November 1-7, inclusive, as "National Future Homemakers of America Week" in Durham County.

Was yours one of the chapters which participated in the World Christmas and Chanukah Festival in 1953? If you were too late, maybe you will be especially interested in the UNESCO Gift Coupon plan. One of FHA's UNESCO projects this year is a women's community center attached to a vocational training school in Libya. The center was completely bare at the beginning of the project. The total cost of this project is \$1,200. For further information on how you can co-operate with the UNESCO Plan see the 1952 and the 1953 Special Issue of *Teen Times* or make special requests from the State Office.

The **Bladenboro Chapter** sold \$5 worth of coupons and requested that contributions be applied to Libya project materials for dresses.

The **Mount Olive Chapter** sold stamps amounting to \$10 and requested their contribution be ap-

plied to the Philippine project refrigerators.

You may be interested in devoting a program to the UNESCO Plan.

In connection with the UNESCO Gift Coupon Plan word has come to the State Office here from the North Carolina Library Commission that five sets of UNESCO exhibit material are available from that library upon request. The address is North Carolina Library Commission, Post Office Box 2388, Raleigh.

There is a possibility that one exhibit may be secured from the list of libraries below. There has been no confirmation from them received by the office, but the list was sent from the National FHA Office.

Mr. Hoyt R. Galvin, Director Public Library of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County, 310 N. Tryon Street, Charlotte 2, North Carolina—3 exhibits.

Margaret H. Ligon, Librarian, Pack Memorial Public Library, S. Pack Square, Asheville, North Carolina—1 exhibit.

Clara M. Crawford, Durham Public Library, E. Main Street, Durham, North Carolina—1 exhibit.

Paul S. Ballance, Librarian, Greensboro Public Library, 220 Church St., Greensboro, North Carolina—1 exhibit.

Elizabeth Gurley, Librarian, High Point Public Library, 412 North Main Street, High Point, North Carolina—1 exhibit.

Miss Clyde Smith, Librarian, Olivia Raney Public Library, 107 Hillsboro Street, Raleigh, North Carolina—1 exhibit.

Mrs. Emma W. MacMillan, Wilmington Public Library, Wilmington, North Carolina—1 exhibit.

Jeannette Trotter, Librarian, Carnegie Public Library, Winston-Salem, North Carolina—1 exhibit.

Preceding or paralleling the sale of coupons could be an assembly program or a chapter program at a local meeting which would give emphasis to better understanding of cultures and homes of other countries—Goal I. Ever try seeking the co-operation of a fourth or fifth grade teacher? She would probably be more than willing to work with

her students and prepare them to go to your meeting to recite some interesting facts which they have learned about homes and home life in other countries. Do you have in your community a native of another country? He or she may be flattered to be asked to be on one of your programs. Additional ideas along this line are in your National Program of Work.

When you send gifts overseas or money to be used for gifts, you were participating in the UNESCO project also.

Taylorsville FHA girls wrapped and packed in large boxes twenty-eight gifts for shipping overseas. This project was repeated in many, many chapters throughout North Carolina. Taylorsville sent their gifts to Yugoslavia. Other chapters sent gifts to Germany, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, England, Finland, France, Greece, Holland, India, Israel, Italy, Japan, Korea, Luxemburg, Norway, Switzerland.

Chapter and Individual Projects

Becky is the flower arranger for the Madison FHA, the Rockingham County Federation, and the District V Rally. As a result of a home project, selected last spring, Becky has made several of these FHA meetings more beautiful and impres-

sive, with her lovely flower arrangements.

All summer long Becky toiled, making flower arrangements each week of her summer vacation. This work was made easier for Becky because of her father who is an ardent rosarian. The Marshburn's entire back yard blooms profusely during the long summer months. Becky's arrangements were made from her father's roses; other flowers and plants were added to complement the roses.

One of her special arrangements using two dozen red roses was prepared for the Rockingham County Future Homemakers Leadership Workshop. Becky also made the beautiful arrangement used at the District V Rally at the Woman's College in Greensboro in October. This was an artistic design which gave to the stage just the needed touch. We think Becky has carried out a very fine home project and we, her chapter mates, would like to acknowledge the pleasure and enjoyment she has given us and other Future Homemakers in our county and district through sharing the results of her home project with us.

If you are interested in roses and how to arrange them, Becky recommends *Roses and Home Flower Arranging*, by Edna Whitsitt, from Greystone Press, New York.

The Randleman FHA girls had fun and at the same time raised funds for their chapter treasury with

Refreshment time for three mothers during the Hoke-Hi Homecoming Dance. FHA girls had charge of refreshments. Shown here left to right: Sheila Balfour, FHA Member, Mrs. Hodgen, Mrs. Bracey, and Mrs. McLean.



a Christmas bazaar on December 11. The bazaar was held in a local department store, and the girls sold handmade Christmas gifts, Christmas corsages, and foods. The most popular item was a Christmas corsage made by the girls from materials which they bought. The chapter voted to contribute most of their profit toward furnishing the Home Economics department living room.

The next project of our group is the sponsoring of a baby-sitting class in co-operation with the Randolph County Health Department. The girls who complete the course will contribute a percentage of their earnings to the chapter treasury for a certain period of time. The FHA chapter will publish the list of certified baby-sitters for the benefit of parents in the community.

The following account is of a home economics class project, but it is a good illustration of effective planning and successfully carrying through with a project.

The principal at Cliffside School, Mr. Beatty, asked that the home economics department give a program on table manners, stressing particularly the things that are most applicable to our school lunchroom. This project was assigned to the boys' class for they were at work on table manners at the time. They did most of the planning, but asked the help of a few girls in presenting the program. "This work may seem a bit elementary, but our assembly program includes grades one through twelve, we were very enthusiastic and discussed several possibilities and finally assigned two boys to provide a planed board, and a stand; or each one to cut, color, and mount cardboard models; one listed properties as it became evident they were needed; several worked



Mrs. Ruth Ferguson, center, was the guest speaker at the Dinner for Parents in Hillsboro. On her left is Shirley Hines and to the right, Billie Jean Parker.

on the script, and two worked on what we call 'A Forerunner.' Copies were made and carried to the principal and to each teacher in school. The 'forerunner' encouraged several teachers to have discussions in the classroom, and later copies were posted on several of the classroom bulletin boards. Two teachers asked to borrow the record, 'Manners Can Be Fun,' to use in the classroom," writes Mrs. Harris, adviser.

"The narrator was very good and the fact that the material was presented almost as it was written meant that we were able to get the points across, almost unrehearsed. Only once did all the boys and girls get together for practice."

The Chapel Hill FHA Chapter won first prize (\$50) for their float in a Christmas parade of 28 floats. The float represented Santa's Workshop with an igloo adjoined. Eskimos, Elves, Teddy Bears, Jacks-in-the-Box, the Jester and French Dolls—all dressed in appropriate costumes were busily working on toys. There was a toy bag all packed for the midnight ride. Mrs. Santa was ironing Santa's suit. Santa sat in his union suit. Chicken wire was used for the sides on a trailer and a tractor and white paper napkins covered the wire. The top of the igloo was covered with blocks of ice paper. The FHA sign was lighted in red. From the rear was a large spotlight.

One of the projects of the Aycock Chapter is collecting books to send to the Institution for the Mentally

Ill at Camp Butner. For earning money members are selling sweet potatoes and old newspapers.

One of the many projects carried on in the Bartlett Yancey Chapter was preserving and arranging flowers this past summer and fall.

During the summer marigolds, zinnias, cosmos, and other flowers were dried for winter arrangements. Corn tassles, okra, pepperglass, snakeplant, persimmons and driftwood were also collected.

The county NCEA called on a group of FHA girls to decorate the Club House for a meeting that was to be held there. They advised that the cost for the decorations would be about \$1.50. Well, how much can you buy for \$1.50 today? The group got their heads together and their thoughts together. They remembered their flower garden project and their stored dried flowers.

This class project with the help of Mr. Ralph Saddler, FFA adviser, and Mrs. Grace Wooten, the FHA adviser, turned out wonderfully. The results were plenty of flowers for the Home Economics Cottage, flowers to carry to friends, and the arrangements for the NCEA meeting at the club house.

The Beaufort Chapter has announced its Spring project. The project selected by the Ways and Means Committee will be the selling of Ro-Co Extracts, formerly sold by the Lizzie Chadwick Church Circle. Vanilla, pure lemon, pure almond, and black walnut will be sold in 6

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The FHA float of the Chapel Hill FHA in the Christmas parade.

WHOLESOME GROUP RECREATION

Dining out with parents as guests is a form of recreation which the Hillsboro FHA members highly recommend. They enjoyed the occasion so much last year they did it again this year. It was the day after Thanksgiving when the dinner party was served in the historical Colonial Inn in Hillsboro. Three honorary members, Mrs. George Gilmore, Mrs. Chaiborne Wilkerson, and Mr. G. A. Grown were present. Mrs. Ruth Ferguson, ex-State FHA Adviser, was the guest speaker.

Swing your partner, skip to my Lou, was the cry heard in the **Hugh Morson** gym on Saturday night last November 21. The entire FHA chapter and their dates turned out for a gala time, square-dancing to the lively music of Red Rose and his Dixie Mountain Boys. Between the rounds of square dances, the couples relaxed by doing the Bunny Hop and the Mexican Hat Dance, and of course the couples all joined in the regular round dances.

The decorations were all hand-made and depicted a real Western Dude Ranch. A red barn overflowed with caricature cows, pigs, and hens. Hay, oil lanterns, and big straw hats helped turn the gym into a festive ranch-style farm scene.

Western hot dogs, home-made cookies, candies, and cup-cakes, and lots of drinks were sold during the entire dance from a large covered Chuck Wagon.

The entire profit from the dance is to be put into the treasury and will be used to send Hugh Morson's delegate, June Watson, to the Regional Meeting in Daytona Beach, Florida, this summer. The entire chapter co-operated in every possible way and the dance was a success, both financially and in the good time had by all.

The **Cliffside FHA Chapter** cooked up a clever idea for a

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Christmas party at which every member received a gift but no money was spent for gifts. They had a White Elephant party and Christmas party all in one. The invitations were typed on cut-outs from white paper and in the shape of elephants. Previous to the night of the party elephant heads had been drawn on number 14 paper bags and each bag numbered. As guests arrived each was given a sack, a pencil and a sheet of paper. The bags were slipped over the head and eyes were torn in the bag. Each elephant hunted for people he knew, and when he found a "Friend" he wrote the name and number on his sheet, being careful not to give his own identity away. The elephant with the greatest number of friends (correctly named and numbered) was crowned "QUEEN" of the elephants. (The crown and throne had been provided.)

The Queen was given a box of small white elephants with "Wittiest," "Most Courteous," "Neatest," "Most Dependable," etc. written on the back. She called the elephants up by number, and gave each a small elephant to give to the person who most nearly answered the de-

scription on the back. After all the elephants were distributed, the person holding the largest number received a prize.

The guest were then given a booklet enclosed in an old Christmas card. The booklet contained contests pertaining to FHA and to White Elephants.

After the contests, and while refreshments were being made ready, the White Elephant packages, which were collected as the guests entered, were distributed, and while they were being passed along lively music was played. When the music stopped the gift each held was his own. Refreshment plates carrying out the Christmas theme were served. The group gathered around the piano, sang Christmas carols and went home a happy and relaxed bunch.

Some form of recreation is most always included in large gatherings of much duration. At the Stanly County FHA Rally last fall, twenty minutes of the program was devoted to group singing. Shelby J. Almong Whitley, old song leader of the County Federation, and Bonnie Mul-

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Square Dance in the Hugh Morson Gym.



Peggy Taylor and her project.

NORTH CAROLINA FHA FLAG

Why It's Here and How It Came About

For the story, we take you to Warsaw and Peggy Taylor reporting. . . .

Early in the fall of 1953 our adviser and two chapter members were called to Jacksonville, North Carolina, to work on the District II Planning Committee to make final plans for our Annual Rally. At this meeting the adviser and delegates who had attended the National FHA Convention last summer described the FHA Flag they saw at the convention, which was the first one made in the United States. They expressed a desire for our District to make the second flag and display it at the District Rally. Our Warsaw group volunteered to get this flag made in our chapter.

Since I had hand-painted and made a 24 x 38 inch white silk banner for our Chapter Room, Mrs.

Kathleen Snyder, our Chapter Adviser, asked me if I would like to make this FHA Flag as a special project. I volunteered to do the work to the best of my ability, and with her help made the paper pattern.

Then came the task of finding materials for making the flag. Our District II FHA Adviser, Mrs. Clara Reed, searched and wrote for samples many days before we could find suitable materials. We desired a heavy quality of double-faced satin. Being unable to secure this, we selected a heavy, one-faced duchess satin for the flag. Not able to find the right shade of wide red satin ribbon to bind the flag, which matched our paint, we chose a narrower ribbon of the proper shade, and I faced the flag both back and front. We almost despaired of finding the cord and tassels for the flag.

Flag companies had the supplies in colors, but nothing in white or red. Our friends joined the search with us, and finally Mrs. Wilbur Garner, one of our Chapter Mothers, found a green set of tassels in a near-by city and worked a whole morning removing the color; hence, we finally had our white cord and tassels. The total cost of the flag materials was \$11.50.

The satin for the flag arrived on Tuesday, October 6, before our rally date of October 17. That day at school was spent measuring satin, pulling threads and cutting the material straight and transferring our design. With faith and a prayer, I started on Wednesday morning painting the flag with Amaza-art paint.

I live in the country, three miles



Faison Smith, Chapter Father, and daughter, Lou Gene Smith of the B. F. Grady Chapter doing a comical dance number at Mother-Daughter Banquet.

from Warsaw, and have a job working in a Warsaw store on Saturday. Sunday morning I attended Sunday school and church, but as I had two hours free time Sunday afternoon. I used it painting the flag. I finally finished painting the flag Wednesday night, October 25. Thursday and Friday were spent in lining the flag front and back. On Friday afternoon, my mother came out and helped my Chapter Adviser to hold the flag while I put buttonholes in the tabs and sewed them on for attaching the flag to the flag staff, which we borrowed from a local church. I then pressed the flag, at-

tached it to the staff and wrapped it for the journey to Morehead City the next morning.

There I proudly sat back and saw displayed my handiwork, which was, so far as we know, the second FHA Flag to be made in the United States.

It has been a pleasure to make the flag. I feel humbly proud to know that the State FHA Adviser and our District State Supervisor wanted the flag to be presented as our North Carolina FHA Flag.

Peggy Taylor,
Warsaw FHA Chapter Member.

WHAT ABOUT MEMBERSHIP?

We are still working on figures and numbers but our record book indicates as of January 15th, deadline for affiliation, a total of 454 chapters and a membership of a little over 19,000, an increase in chapters this year but a slight decrease in the number of members.

Twelve chapters in the state have a membership of over a hundred. Hugh Morson heads the list with 196 members. Following in order are: Pembroke, Rutherford - Spindale, Fuquay Springs, Garner, Mt. Holly, St. Stephens, Taylorsville, Rockingham, Seventy-first, Bath, and Bladenboro.



This is a group of the Jonesville FHA Officers following an assembly program during which the Emblem Service was presented. Reading left to right, they are: Pat Shoemaker, Barbara Boles, Nancy York, Peggy Joyner, Pat Person, Shirley Draugh, and Inez Simmons.

FAMILY LIFE COUNCIL MEETING

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Jo Ann Woosley, who along with Frances Burris, represented our State FHA Association at the annual Family Life Council Meeting in November, reports:

Some points and ideas that were brought out at this meeting were:

1. The best way to make friends is to be a friend.
2. Girls like boys who are neat, who know their way around, and who give them a lot of attention.
3. Boys like girls who are attractive, friendly, who appreciate what the boys do for them and those who talk but do not jabber.
4. It is not wise to accept an engagement ring while in high school.
5. How a girl can get a date:
 - a. be attractive.
 - b. be a friend.
 - c. be around where the boy is.
 - d. talk to the boy and ask about things that interest him.
 - e. be neat and clean.
 - f. a boy wants a date he can be proud of.

Dr. Dorothy Dyer suggested some things that everyone should know or do before getting married. Here is the list:

1. Know what is involved in marriage.
2. What does marriage require of me?
 - a. hard work.
 - b. hard adjustments.
 - c. associations with his family.
 - d. maturity.
 - e. understanding.
 - f. unselfishness.
3. See each other under all circumstances.
4. Are you in love enough to marry?
 - a. love can be tested against time.
 - b. personality factors such as quick temper or selfishness may test your love.

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Chapter Chatter

The Beaufort FHA members enjoyed group singing and a skit, "Make a House a Home," at the regular meeting held in the auditorium balcony Thursday.

Ada Sue Owens served as program chairman and Paula Jones operated the opaque projector for the program members. Jane Safrit, Sue Sewell, Donna Lewis, Nancy Brodda, Ruby "Polly" Chadwick, Rita Mason, "Winky" Willis and Clyda Taylor.

It was reported that a bountiful supply of food and clothing was contributed by the members for a needy family during November.

The group is indebted to Sadie Harris for cutting the stencils and mimeographing the material for the FHA 1953-54 yearbooks. The books were distributed to members at the December meeting.

Lib Stallings served as refreshment committee, serving chilled soft drinks to the members.

Elizabeth Dixon and Polly Chadwick served as helpers at the X-ray trailer Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Polly and Margaret Springle served Saturday at the same hours.

The faculty is helping the FHA members sell green school pencils. The pencils have the name of the school stamped in white and contain No. 2 lead. They cost five cents apiece. The members are also selling white and green school emblems made of felt to be worn on sweater or coat sleeves, fronts and backs.

A school sanitation campaign being sponsored by the FHA chapter will soon be under way with attractive posters being posted in each rest room in school. Elizabeth Stallings and Kay Prytherch are heading this campaign.

The Boyden FHA Chapter served a luncheon to a joint meeting, of the Si and Epsilon chapters of the Delta Kappa Gamma, teachers' organization, in the Boyden Home Economics Lab on December 5.

Miss Catherine Whitner, Miss Julia Groves, Mrs. Bessie Ragland, and Mrs. Minnie M. Gaston greeted the guests in the front hall of the school, where they were served appetizers of tomato and yellow juices. Sissie Swartz, a junior, and Ilene Chinn, a sophomore, served the appetizers.

The tables in the lab were decorated gold and brightened with crimson Christmas balls. Whole crystalized grapefruits filled with crystalized fruits and candies decorated each end of the tables. Standing cookies in the shape of "Rudolph," the reindeer, and miniature trees made of dried fruits and nuts were placed before each plate.

The menu for the luncheon consisted of turkey a la king served on fried noodles, creamed sweet potatoes on pineapples rings topped with marshmallows, buttered spinach, biscuits, cranberry salad, assorted relishes, coffee, and ambrosia and pound cake.

The program was presented by Miss Elizabeth Black, Miss Johnnie McKinley, and Mrs. Mary Moyle Montgomery. The topic was "Training Women for Educational Leadership." Miss Sarah Lopp led the group in a responsive reading of a Christmas story from Isaiah and Luke's Gospel.

Mary Louise Poplin and Shirley Rex presided over the kitchen duties. Those serving the luncheon were: Eleanor Ollen, Rachel Allen, Phyllis Brandy, Sally Brown, Nancy Clark, Annice Coe, Mildred Erwin, Ann Miller, Janice Mitchell, Dorothy Moore, Marilyn Ruffy, Becky Shuping, Martha Sink, Phyllis Walser and Ann Yost. Miss Anne Hall, adviser to the FHA members, supervised the luncheon.

The fifty members of the Si and Epsilon chapters present for the luncheon came from Albemarle, Concord, Kanapolis, Lexington, and Salisbury.

The Red Springs FHA Chapter had as their theme for the December meeting "The True Meaning of Christ's Birthday on Christmas."

President Juanita Nurnberger opened the meeting with the impressive FHA opening ceremony. The scripture reading on the birth of the Christ Child was given by Audrey Tucker with the prayer by Sylvia Beeson. A Christmas poem was read by Virginia Lee Hutchinson.

Hilda Gray Maness read the story "The Keeper of the Inn," followed by a poem "Once in a Stable" by Charlotte McGoogan. Juanita Nurnberger made a talk on "Let's Put Christ Back into Christmas," after which Millie McNeill played the record, "Put Christ Back into Christmas."

After the business meeting, the club members joined in the singing of Christmas Carols with Millie McNeill leading and Ann McKay at the piano.

Refreshments of cookies and mints were served to the 64 club members and their adviser, Mrs. Ben Stanton. The second year home economics students made the refreshments as part of their class project for Christmas.

The Mills FHA members received some good advice from Rev. W. M. Latta, Episcopal minister. He stated: "Through your environment and proper conditioning, you can become what you want to be. We should live so that those in our families now and in years to come can be proud of us."

Introduced by Miss Jetta Godfrey, Mr. Latta centered his remarks about the topic "Are you a good branch of your family tree?"

Miss Annette Fuller taught the members several songs.

Hostesses were Barbara Leonard, Carolyn Pergerson, Marie Atkins, Jean Lloyd, Carol Sutherland, Lois Smith, Jean Atkins, Joyce Spencer and Mary Jo Leonard.

The Bartlett Yancey FHA Chapter sponsored a Christmas party in the Club House on Saturday evening, December 19. Seventy-one boys and girls assembled, honoring the Club Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bason and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Jackson. Christmas colors prevailed in the decorations and refreshments.

Mrs. J. G. Wooten, adviser, introduced the honor guests, Isabelle Crook social chairman, presided over the program which consisted of Christmas Carols, games, and dancing.

Mrs. Bason presided at the punch bowl, assisted by Peggy Poteat and Billie McLendon. Ann Aldridge and Marie Gwynn served cookies and candy.

The interest shown by our club parents is a great inspiration to the members of FHA.

The committee on arrangements were: Isabelle Crook, Carolyn Wood, Billie McLendon, Marie Gwynn, Ann Aldridge, Gail Stuck, assisted by Peggy Poteat and Jim Long.

On Thursday night, December 17, the home economics students participated in a fashion show featuring garments made by each girl. The occasion was the monthly P. T. A. meeting. Prior to the show the emblem service was given, with girls explaining the various parts of the FHA emblem. Then, Geraldine Watson of Prospect Hill, former president of Bartlett Yancey FHA, gave a brief report on her trip to Columbus, Ohio, last summer to attend the National FHA Convention. Mrs. Marlene Beason, Club Mother, sang "Bless This House," accompanied by Mrs. R. W. Wilson. Mrs. Jim Aldridge was narrator for the fashion show.

The home economics girls gathered around the fire and Christmas tree Tuesday, December 22, in the cottage for a last get-together before the holidays. Mrs. Bill Jackson and Mrs. Sam Bason were honor guests. The group presented them with gifts in appreciation of their interest in the group. The program committee led the group in games and cards. Refreshments were served.

The Vance FHA Chapter has elected their Chapter Parents for this year, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Bryant. Honorary Mother and Father are Dr. and Mrs. A. D. Gregg. Mrs. Edward G. Cobb, home economics teacher, is the adviser of the club. Mary Alice Gupton is president.

The Franklin Chapter of the FHA held a buzz session early in the year and the girls made suggestions on the kind of programs they wanted and different money-raising projects.

Soon an officers' and committee chairman's meeting was held at President Iris Nichols', where plans were drawn up for the entire school year and what they hoped to accomplish. The programs of coming meetings were planned and given to different girls.

Programs for the first semester were planned around such topics as "What is expected of a baby sitter?" "Gotta date," "Codes of good behavior," and "Panel on problems of dating."

A spaghetti supper for the community was held in October and it was a great success. From the profits of this supper a fund was started to buy shrubbery and improve the school grounds.

As a school project the girls decided to make small crinoline Christmas trees for the Surry County women at the Black Mountain Sanatorium.

The Chapter also joined in the World Christmas Festival and had a total of 28

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Southern Regional FHA Meeting will be in the Princess Isseña Hotel, Daytona Beach, Florida. The quota for the entire Southern Region is 408. North Carolina's quota is 40. The theme for meeting is, "Are You a Leader for Better Homes?" If your chapter has a member who wishes to attend and plans to attend, please send the name and address to Mrs. Faye Coleman, State FHA Adviser, Department of Public Instruction, Raleigh, North Carolina, before March 15. Additional information can be sent to you as soon as all information concerning cost, program, and other details about the meeting is available.

packages that were sent. We voted to send them to Korea.

The FHA and FFA had joint party and square dance at the school gymnasium.

About 40 members attended the Surry-Yadkin Rally at Veteran's Park in Mt. Airy in October. There were 13 members who attended the District VII Rally at Mineral Springs High School.

The Creedmoor FHA's have been engaged in a series of profitable activities. Some of the activities were class projects. Examples of these are: Feed bags were used for making pillow slips. The pillow slips were bleached, embroidered, and gift wrapped for Christmas gifts. Clothing, food, and toilet articles were packed before Christmas for presenting to needy families before Christmas. First year students enjoyed preparing Christmas decorations to use in their homes during the holidays. They also received practice in preparing dishes appropriate for a real Christmas dinner. The dishes were assembled and the dinner was served with Mr. Lamb, the athletic coach, as the special guest. There was evidence that the earlier training in table setting and service had not been a waste of time. One of the FHA projects which should please all the girls who use the gymnasium is the project of making the girls' rest room more attractive and homelike.

WHOLESGOME GROUP RECREATION

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linaix, the new song leader, led the singing. Each chapter presented a talent number lasting approximately two minutes, which was both recreational and entertaining. Of course this Rally was not all recreational. There was the devotion, and greetings from the principal of the Norwood School, the scene of the Rally. The registration committee report indicated approximately 150 members, advisers, and chapter parents were present.

QUOTING FROM A RELEASE SENT BY THE WINSTON BOOK COMPANY

"Nothing about Bill Martin, Jr., foretells his fame as a successful author of children's books and a talented American Storyteller. He's a tall man with a friendly smile and a humble appearance. When he steps before his audience, he looks like "your neighbor next door" who just stopped by to say hello.

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Most every FHA member in North Carolina has no doubt heard by now, either directly or indirectly, reports from the North Carolina delegates to the 1953 National FHA Convention. You will recall in all reports, Bill Martin's storytelling seemed to the highlighting feature of the entire convention.

Your quota for attendance and additional information should reach you soon.

Bill Martin Minstrel-Program is advertised as Entertainment for "Children from 4 to 99."

PROJECTS

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oz. bottles at 50 cents each. The FHA member who tops the sales in this project will be awarded a sterling silver chapter pin.

The winners in the first term project—the selling of Christmas Cards—were each awarded a silver pin. They were Elizabeth Dixon, Millan Buttry, and Johnise Hardesty. From this project the Future Homemakers report a profit of \$71. The patrons and friends who purchased cards were thanked in the Beaufort newspaper, a thoughtful act which seems worthy of mention here:

"What Is FHA"—is a skit written and presented by members of the Winecoff Chapter.

This proves it: chapter and assembly programs don't have to be blue prints of some professional thinking and organizing. Why not find and use the hidden talents of your own chapter members. Ideas for skits present no problem. Suggestions are found in nearly all FHA publications. Writing your own script entails the bringing together and applying ones knowledge and understanding of English, Home Economics, and Dramatics. What a profitable project for any individual or group!

The skit "What Is FHA"—was written by the four members: Janice Little, Pat Flowe, Shirley Garver, and Anne Whitley. It was staged in assembly in December, preceding a Fashion Show and the Ceremony for awarding Junior and Chapter degrees.

FAMILY LIFE

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5. Know the family background.
 - a. Is he from a happy home?
 - b. Is there any insanity in the family?
6. What values does he place on religion?
7. What about children?
8. How does he feel about sex? Is it a feeling of shame, fear, or guilt?

How can the school better prepare the student for family living?

1. Family life classes.
2. Guidance Counsellor.
3. Students submit questions to a question box with no name on the question. Discuss questions in class.
4. More unified approach to the needs of the people.

COVER PICTURE

This picture was taken during an FHA Semi-Formal held last year in the Mount Holly chapter. These girls (left to right) Linda Pryor, Betty Gzeckowiz, and Ruth Haney were first year FHA members. The one candle represented work accomplished during the year.

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APRIL 3RD LETTER FOLLOWS

BILL MARTIN JR

Yes, its true, America's Beloved Storyteller is to appear on the program at our North Carolina State Convention scheduled for April 3 in the Raleigh Memorial Auditorium. His letter which followed the wire is so friendly and warm in expression, you will want to read it:

Dear Mrs. Coleman:

How very kind of you to want me on your program at the annual State FHA Convention in Raleigh, Saturday, April 3. As I wired you earlier, I am delighted to accept the invitation and am looking forward with keen excitement and pleasure to that meeting with the 3000 Future Homemakers of North Carolina.

Except for the payment of my expenses, there will be no charge for the program, Mrs. Coleman. The John C. Winston Company, publisher of our books, is providing the storytelling lecture-entertainment to groups such as yours, as a public service, and you will receive directly from the Winston office another confirmation of my availability April 3. I have already cleared the date with the office in a telephone conversation.

Let me know what you need in the way of press releases, etc., so that we can get them to you in ample time. Again my thanks and abiding good wishes.

Cordially

Bill Martin, Jr.

Future Homemakers of America

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We are the Future Homemakers of America
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope,
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking
Old and precious values.

For we are the builders of homes,
Homes for America's future.
Homes where living will be the expression of everything
That is good and fair.
Homes where truth and love and security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

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"The homes of tomorrow are in
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Caroline Says:

My Symphony written by William Henry Channing
(who lived 1810-1884) expresses the same beauty in
living in 1954 as in 1854.

My Symphony

To live content with small means.
To seek elegance rather than luxury, and refinement
rather than fashion.
To be worthy, not respectable, and wealthy, not rich.
To study hard, think quietly, talk gently, act frankly.
To listen to stars and birds, to babes and sages, with
open heart.
To bear all cheerfully, do all bravely, await occasion,
hurry never.
In a word, to let the spiritual, unbidden and un-
conscious, grow up through the common.
This is to be my symphony.



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A unique feature of the party was that all attending danced and played in gaily colored stocking feet to protect our new gym floor. Pat Carter and Susan Burdette, the couple winning the prize for the most dressed-up feet, received colorful socks as their prize.

Chapter Programs: Thomas W. Martin, Jr., floral designer, arranger, and lecturer of Fayetteville was the guest speaker of the Seventy-first Chapter at the November meeting. Mr. Martin gave an interesting and informative demonstration on making dried arrangements. He explained the various methods of drying flowers so that they retain their natural color and beauty.

He touched briefly on the arrangement of fruits and vegetables for holiday motifs and special occasions. He displayed an exotic sample arrangement.

Approximately 100 members of the F.H.A. Chapter was present for the lectures and demonstrations. The members of the high school faculty were special guests of the chapter.

On January 20, Mr. Otto Edwards, Safety Director from Fort Bragg, talked to the F.H.A. and F.F.A. girls and boys on safety. He told us there were several things leading up to an accident. Among these were (1) distant cause (2) underlying causes and (3) an unsafe act or condition. He stated that if these unsafe acts or conditions would be done away with that accidents and injury could be prevented. He ended the program by showing two movies, one entitled "Once Too Often," and the other "Safety on the School Bus."

COVER PICTURE

These officers were installed at the State Convention on April 3. From left to right they are: Betty Calhoun, President; Nancy Christenberry, Parliamentarian; Carol Lynn Garris, Vice-President; Margo Sicho, Treasurer; Claudette Belton, Reporter; Sarah Eason, Song Leader; Shirley Rouse, Secretary; and Judy Bowman, Historian.

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Perhaps the following list of suggestions will offer some aids in filling in your skeletal outline of programs for local chapter meetings:

1. Suppose your program is centered around "citizenship." With a little planning and imagination, some Future Homemakers might develop a dialogue from the article "What Can Just One Person Do?" found in the 1954, March, issue of *Teen Times*, page 7. Such a program should help each member to realize the importance of himself or herself in society.

2. "Try a Courtesy Week—In Your School." Read the page full of ideas on page 11 of the November, 1953, *Teen Times*.

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A scene at the Hugh Morson annual "Good Luck" dance. Silhouettes on the wall were cut out by Joan Wilder. From left to right: Jane Watson, Chapter Vice-President, Mary Lou Parker, Chapter President, and Lillian Hickman, Unit Vice-President.

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Future Homemakers of America

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Claudette Belton, our state reporter from Old Town School in Forsyth County, stated that she felt that every chapter should devote one meeting to interpreting the degree program; and that this program should be presented early in the school year. In the chapter, of which Claudette is a member, a skit was presented which gave all members a greater understanding of the degrees. The booklets *A Guide To Help You Grow as A Future Homemaker* and the teacher's handbook *A Guide For Helping Students Evaluate Their Own Growth* were used in preparing the script for the dramatization. These booklets can be ordered from Future Homemakers of America, U. S. Office of Education, Health and Welfare, Washington 25, D. C.

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1. First of all find out from your degree committee the date which has been set for the deadline for filing your declaration of intention and secure a form for this purpose. Below is a sample blank which a degree committee might like to use.

DECLARATION OF INTENTION TO WORK ON AN F.H.A. DEGREE

Realizing that the attainment of a degree in the Future Homemakers of America represents the successful completion of many planned activities in fulfilling all the standards set up for a degree, I _____

(Name)

herby declare my intention this _____ day of _____, 19____, to begin work for the _____ Homemaker

Degree in the _____ Chapter of the _____

(Name of Chapter)

(Name of State)

Association of the Future Homemakers of America.

To make this declaration official I have obtained the approval of the following people

(Chairman, Chapter Degree Committee)

(Chapter President)

(Parent or Guardian)

(Adviser)

When a home experience or a class activity is planned in terms a goal selected toward earning a degree, there is integration of the degree program with the total homemaking program. In the top photo Amelia McGinnis, a candidate for the State Homemaker Degree from the Mount Holly Chapter shares a glazed peach pie topped with whipped cream (part of a planned home experience) with her parents—Mr. and Mrs. Harold McGinnis, and brother and sister—Monty and Nancy.

In the lower photo second year home economics students of the Bailey High School learn about new fall fabrics and are guided to the selection of suitable colors, designs, and styles for members of the Class. Pictured are left to right Polly Vick, Christine Perry, Mrs. Taylor and Mr. Jefferies of Belk-Tyler's Store in Wilson, Faye McKeel and Phyllis Bissette.



2. Next a special meeting needs to be held of all who are working on the same degree to study and discuss the standards and qualifications. Nancy Christenbury, state parliamentarian from Mecklenburg County highly recommends working in groups, and she thinks it is wise if members of each group plan activities and set dates for the completion of each step or standard, "By concentrating on a little at the time, rather than facing all the steps at one time," she said, "the candidate will be less likely to become discouraged."

QUALIFICATIONS FOR ACHIEVING THE "JUNIOR HOMEMAKER" DEGREE AND SUGGESTIONS FOR "REPORTING"

Summary (May be used at beginning or end of report)

(Name of Member) _____ (Chapter)

(State) _____ (Date)

Has met the requirements for eligibility for the Junior Homemaker degree.

1. Has been a member of a local affiliated chapter for at least one semester or one-half of a school year.
2. Has been a member of a homemaking class for at least one semester or one-half of a school year.

(Signature of Chapter Representative)

(Signature of Homemaking Teacher)

HAS SATISFACTORILY MET QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE JUNIOR HOMEMAKING DEGREE

Qualifications	Satisfactory progress (Yes or No)	Opinions and Signatures of Persons Who Can Best Tell if Member Has Met Qualifications If Opinion Is "No," Give Suggestions for Improvement
Has Made Satisfactory Progress Towards:		
1. Getting a better understanding of the organization		
(a) Understanding of the creed and repeating it from memory		
(b) (c) (d), etc.		
2. Growing as an individual, a member of a home, a member of a chapter, and a member of a school and community		
(a) (b) (c) (d), etc.		

3. Has indicated the purposes of the National organization to which the work done toward this degree has contributed and explained how it has contributed.

(Member) _____ (Member's Parents or Guardian)

(Chapter Adviser) _____ (Chapter Representative)

We therefore recommend that the _____ (Chapter) recognize the work of

_____ by making her a Junior Homemaker.
(Name of Member)

(Member's Parent or Guardian) _____ (Chapter Adviser)

PROGRESS REPORT

1. Getting a Better Understanding of the F.H.A. Organization.
 - (a) Have I repeated the Creed from memory?
 - (b) Have I shown an understanding of the meaning of the F.H.A. creed, emblem, colors, and flower?

My plan for showing an understanding

Did I follow my plan?
(Yes or No)

If answer is "No," what I did instead and why I changed plan

The Creed

The Emblem

- (c) Have I shown an understanding of the purposes of the national F.H.A. organization?

My plan for showing an understanding of the purposes of National Organization	Did I follow my plan? (Yes or No)	If answer is "No," what I did instead of following my plan and why I changed
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1. To promote a growing of the joys and satisfaction of homemaking.

2.

NOTE: Understanding of (a) (b) and (c) may be shown by explaining in an exhibit, a skit, a talk, a written statement or test.

- (d) Am I beginning to understand and use parliamentary procedure?

My plan for beginning to understand and use parliamentary procedure	Did I follow my plan? (Yes or No)	If answer is "No," what I did instead of following my plan and why I changed
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1.

2.

NOTE: May be shown by using accepted procedure in chapter meetings, taking part in a skit or demonstration, or by any other effective method.

II. Growing As An Individual, A Member of a Home, A Member of a Chapter and A Member of a School and Community By:

- (a) Choosing goals which the member believes are important and desirable to work toward. (A goal is whatever a person works to accomplish or become.) (b) Plan for working toward goal (c) Checking progress (d) Evidence of progress toward accomplishment

Chart for reporting:

My goals	My reasons for choosing each goal	My plan for working toward each goal	Ways I will check to see if I am making progress toward each goal
Individual (at least one) Member of chapter		Member of home (at least one) Member of school and community (at least one)	

NOTE: Suggestions for doing the above:

Ask yourself these questions as you select your goals

(1) What proof or reason do I have that I need to grow toward this goal?

(2) How will work toward this goal help me to grow?

(3) How will this goal make it possible for me to help others?

Remember: Your parents, brothers and sisters, chapter adviser, and others may be able to give you suggestions for goals that are important to you.

You don't need to decide at one time on all of the goals you want to work toward. You may want to choose one goal and work toward it for a while before selecting a second goal. You will get ideas as you work along.

You will find these helps in the booklet, *A Guide to Help You Grow As A Future Homemaker*:

Some goals which other homemaking students thought were important for them to work toward are listed on page 5-9. An example of two goals which were chosen by a homemaking student, the plans she made to work toward the goals, and the ways she planned to check her progress are on pages 16-17.

EVIDENCES THAT I HAVE MADE PROGRESS TOWARD EACH GOAL

NOTE: 1. Evidence is to furnish proof or make clear; therefore, diaries, check sheets, score cards, and other records, will help you and others decide if you have changed in your actions or feelings.

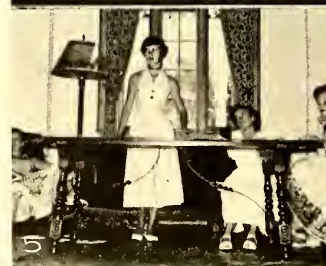
2. Examples of evaluation devices are found on pages 10-15 in the *Guide to Help You Grow As A Future Homemaker*.

III. Indicating the Purposes of the National Organization to Which the Work Done Toward This Degree Has Contributed and Explaining How It Has Contributed:

Check (x) the purposes of the national organization to which you believe work for this degree has contributed.

Give brief specific examples of the way the work toward this degree has contributed to the purposes of the National organization.

- _____ To promote a growing appreciation of the joys and satisfactions of homemaking.
- _____ To emphasize the importance of worthy home membership.
- _____ To encourage democracy in home and community life.
- _____ To work for good home and family life for all.
- _____ To promote international good will.
- _____ To foster the development of creative leadership in home and community life.
- _____ To provide wholesome individual and group recreation.
- _____ To further interest in home economics.



SCENES OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL F.H.A. CONVENTION

1. All the forty-four N. C. delegates who attended. 2. Three delegates from District IV—June Watson, Sara Eason and Sarah Murray. 3. The roll call of states by North Carolina. 4. A typical scene of the natural landscaping around Daytona Beach. 5. Carol Lynn Garris in her role of chairman of one of the discussion groups. 6. The Princess Issena Hotel with Welcome sign. 7. The winning three national officers—Frances Burris—presiding.

The Southern Regional Meeting, Daytona Beach, Florida

June 22-25, 1954

Forty-four North Carolina Future Homemakers were among the nearly 400 Future Homemakers from 12 southern states and Puerto Rico who registered at the Princess Islena Hotel at Daytona Beach, Florida June 21-25, 1954 for the Southern Regional Meeting of Future Homemakers. Each of the 19,102 members of the North Carolina Association of Future Homemakers has every right to be proud of the quantity and the quality of the participation of the North Carolina representatives at this meeting. All eight of the officers of the North Carolina Association were members of one of the twenty leadership teams which functioned so effectively throughout the convention. All four members of each leadership team received excellent training and experience during the week. For each group of leaders there was an adult coach. The twenty leadership teams were each composed of a chairman, a recorder, an evaluator, and a hostess. The leadership assumed by the officers of the N. C. Association was as follows:

Chairmen — Betty Calhoun — Carol Lynn Garriss

Recorders—Margo Sicha—Alice Parrish

Evaluators—Claudette Belton — Nancy Christenbury

Hostesses—Judy Bowman—Sara Eason

The purpose of these discussion groups was two-fold (1) to train every member of each group in democratic procedures of decision-making and problem-solving and (2) to train leaders for group discussions. With the aid of two consultants, Dr. Floride Moore, University of Georgia, and Dr. John Keltner from Kansas State, the leaders were able to stimulate the members into creative thinking and worthy participation.

The delegates learned that discussion can be a vital device if there is knowledge behind it, and if during the discussion decisions are made and problems solved. Some do's and don'ts of good discussions as learned at the convention are:

Do

1. Remember that members of the group who are discussing a top-

ic are people with feelings. Understanding the various personalities in the group will help to make each member more productive.

2. Ideas are important. From raw material which should be furnished before the discussion search your own mind for ideas which are based on your experiences or the experiences of others.
3. Learn how to communicate with people. If you want people to understand you, let them see you express yourself. Look at the person to whom you are talking. Be careful to use words which mean the same to all in the group.

Don't

1. *Come unprepared.* There is no point in meeting together if you have nothing to share.
2. *Take more time than is necessary* for making a decision or solving a problem.
3. *Get off the track.* Once you decide what you want and need to discuss, stick to it.

All the problems which were discussed at the group meetings centered around the theme of the Convention, "Are You A Leader For Better Homes?" Examples of the problems discussed are:

1. How can we have more democratic leadership in our families?
2. How can we get our family to take part in family projects?

Evaluation

The relative value of each general session and of each group meeting was carefully considered and weighed by every single delegate. The opinions of every person were summarized and reported by the hostesses and the trained evaluators, who made summaries of their own evaluations. All summaries were reported each day during general assembly. Each report was presented in a skit with the use of charts and various other illustrations. For example, in one presentation a doctor, nurse, and patient were used. The doctor was the consultant, the nurse was the trained evaluator and the patient the average delegate (the opinions of all

delegates were averaged). Mouth was checked by doctor for participation in discussion (chart checked each time or was recorded on chart each time). Head was checked for absorption of ideas. Eyes were checked for observation and perception, etc.

One clever device used by Frances Burris, (from Wingate, N. C.), National Vice-President in charge of recreation, who introduced the candidates for the three national offices was to test the delegates as well as the candidates. First the candidates' credentials were presented; each candidate demonstrated her ability to fill the office she was seeking and she answered questions which illustrated her understanding and appreciation of the Future Homemakers organization. Delegates then were quizzed on what they remembered about the candidate's credentials and her physical make-up. This is a good idea to try out in your own chapter in checking members on what they know about the candidates before they vote.

During the meeting of the 20 recorders, Margo Sicha, our State Treasurer, recorded suggestions which would be helpful to all recorders. Also these suggestions might be helpful to secretaries.

1. Record selectively.
2. Try such methods as labeling one page "problems," another "agreements and decisions," and still another "bright ideas."
3. Record pertinent content. This will help greatly in organizing on the spot summaries.
4. State the problem. Note the major points of *agreement* and *disagreement*, and the *conclusion*.
5. Organize and summarize points.
6. Ask the group for an occasional evaluation of your notes. Some criteria might be:
 - a. What was unnecessary?
 - b. What was left out?
 - c. How could the form of the record be improved?
7. One method for recording is to take down everything and organize later. However, try to organize for final presentation as you go along.
8. Be ready to give a summary

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Chapters Report on Training For Officers

For the last few years the Cumberland County F.H.A. Chapters from Fayetteville, Stedman, Seventy-First, Massey Hill, and Hope Mills schools have held the Cumberland County F.H.A. Officers Institute in September soon after schools have opened.

For a couple of hours on an afternoon all the F.H.A. officers in all the schools in the county and their advisers come together at a school and spend some time concentrating on how to do the job as an F.H.A. officer.

This year in September—the Institute was held in the Massey Hill School. There was registration and then a brief social hour with a refreshing drink for everyone. Then the Reverend Mr. Thomas L. Rich, pastor of the Cedar Creek Baptist Church, spoke to the group on *Recovery of Family Life*.

This inspiring message helped to set the stage and get everyone in the right frame of mind for spending the next hour learning more about how to be a better F.H.A. president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, song leader, reporter, historian, or parliamentarian as the case might be.

The presidents met together, the vice-presidents together and so on down the line and worked with the advisers. Incidentally the Public School music teacher from Seventy-First School met with the song leaders to give them some on-the-spot training and the Woman's News Editor from the Fayetteville paper met with the reporters group to give some pointers on writing news. In the words of Betty Calhoun, the State Future Homemakers President, who is also a member of this Cumberland County Officers Institute "we feel that this kind of meeting really helps our officers to get a good start on doing their job early in the year and we recommend an Officers Institute to other counties."

In order that plans could be made for the following year, the old and new officers of the Shelby Senior High School Chapter decided to take a little trip to Crescent Beach. Along with getting a definite start in the year's work, the girls enjoyed

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Officers of the N. C. Association of Future Homemakers meet annually with the Advisory Board to make plans and form policies for the Future Homemakers activities during the current school year. These officers, who are examining the Scrapbook of the Seventy-First Chapter are left to right: Sarah Eason, song leader; Margo Sicha, Lee Edwards, Claudette Belton, reporter; Betty Calhoun, president; Mary Frances Goodrich, filling in for Alice Parrish, secretary; Judy Bowman, historian; Nancy Christenbury, parliamentarian; and Carol Lynn Garriss, vice-president.

Report of the North Carolina Executive Board and Council Meeting

The State Program of Work as adopted by the Executive Council is almost a copy of the National Program of Work. When a chapter is affiliated with the State and National organization for 1954-55, it will receive from the state office a copy of the state-program-of-work membership cards, receipt of dues, and the form for the annual report. The development of each chapter's program of work can be reported on this form. It is important that each chapter file this annual report form and fill it in all during the year. The annual report is due in the state office by the end of the school year.

North Carolina's state projects for 1954-55 are: *Unesco — Families Together—F.H.A. Week—Civil Defense*. Please make an effort to participate in one, two, or all of these projects.

The affiliation dues for membership in the state and national organization is 55 cents per member. An additional 10 cents per member is requested to pay ex-

penses of our state officers and advisers to national meetings.

Those Future Homemakers who wish to work on the State Homemakers Degree must have the Declaration of Intention form filled in and mailed to the state office postmarked not later than *November the 15th*. The Declaration of Intention forms and the Standards for the State Homemaker Degree will be mailed to any member or adviser requesting them from the office of the State F.H.A. Adviser, Department of Public Instruction, Raleigh, North Carolina. The deadline for the final report of activities in working toward the degree is a month prior to the State Convention the date of which has not yet been decided. All applicants will be notified of the deadline as early as possible.

Members of the State Executive Council and Advisory Board consist of the eight state officers, the eight district advisers, and the home economics supervisory staff.

Shelby Chapter Makes TV Debut

If you had turned on a television set to channel three anytime between 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. last May 7th you would have realized that F.H.A. stands for Future Homemakers of America as well as Federal Housing Administration.

You see, it all began with a suggestion that our chapter try to get on the program "Man Around the House." Several members and our adviser, Mrs. Holton, were not long in making arrangements for the program. Since our debut date was near Mothers Day we decided to have a mother-daughter program. Appearing on the program were six mothers and their daughters, Mrs. Harriette Holton, our adviser, and Marie Gifford, a home economist who was holding a Cooking School in Shelby. The Marie Gifford Cooking School was sponsored by our F.H.A. Chapter.

We left early Friday morning for Charlotte and took our photographer, a boy who was a senior, with us. On the way the car in which the photographer was riding had a flat tire. We were surely glad to have, "a man around" to change it.

The television studio was not completely new to all of us for on the way to the State Convention in Raleigh a few weeks before we had stopped and viewed a program from the control room and so knew something of what we were to face.

We were introduced to Alan Newcomb who gave each of us a lovely corsage. With nervous chatter and laughter caused by Mr. Newcomb's humor and charm the program began. The first game was a contest between a mother and her daughter and another mother and daughter. On a blackboard was a chart and when questions such as "When is the time for a girl to wear lipstick" or "go out on her first date," were asked, the mothers filled

in one side of the chart as to when they did these things and the girls put down when they felt they should be able to do these things on the other side of the chart. Prizes to the winners were for the daughter, a certificate for a record album and, for the mother, a thermometer set.

In another game, a mother and daughter were each given cards on which there were printed characteristics or qualities of persons such as honesty, personality, etc. The mother was to put up in the correct order the things that she would look for in a husband for her daughter and the daughter put up what she, herself, would look for in a fellow. The girl started off with "good-looking," "good dancer," "football player," etc. While her mother put "honesty, integrity," etc.

This T.V. show helped to interpret to the television fans and others some of the purposes and goals of our organization. The postmaster's wife invited all the members to her home for a social. She said she felt that someone in town should do something for a group of girls as fine as ours.

Beth Peterson

SAFETY POEM

I am quite a mathematician said
carelessness
I can add to your troubles
I can subtract from your savings
I can multiply your aches and pains
I can divide your attention
I can take interest from your work
and discount your safety.

Scenes Behind the Scenes—Prior to the Day of the District Rally

It is difficult for the average Future Homemaker to visualize—even remotely the vast amount of detailed planning which goes on in each of the eight districts preceding the District Rally. Planning committee members must think up ideas, play with ideas, plan the execution of ideas selected, practice diplomacy and democracy in allocating responsibilities and in making all contacts concerned with the Rally. There are dates to keep in mind at which time certain tasks must be completed. Finally there are the last minute arrangements and preparations. In some respects it might be compared to the preparation for a big wedding. "We just can't let anything go wrong," but it just isn't normal or natural unless some flaw or flaws creep in, and that is exactly what usually happens. But when it is all over everyone who participated in planning and executing the program feels happy because after all this is the best of all Rallies—which is as it should be.

Making plans for District II Rally are seated: Mrs. Mabel L. Hall, Assistant State Supervisor of Home Economics; Hazel Gurley, Janice Teachey, Janice Andrews, Miss Mary Elizabeth Ridge, District II F.H.A. Adviser; Mrs. Janice Chase, Carol Lynn Garris, vice-president of the N. C. Association of Future Homemakers; and Miss Dorothy Fitzgerald, her adviser. Standing left to right: Mary Love Taylor, Nancy Edmundson, Margaret Morris, and Sandra Hicks. This meeting was held in the homemaking department of the Goldsboro High School.



Chapter Chatter

The Beaufort homemaking department has a 1955 Westinghouse deluxe model washing machine. The Future Homemakers of America purchased the appliance on the "5-year replacement plan for schools" which entitles the department to a new machine each year for five years. The washing machine will be used in laundering the first-aid room linens and the table linens used in the foods laboratory.

The homemaking department is shining with a new coat of paint applied by the second year home economics girls. The kitchen walls are Lennox green and the clothing laboratory walls are rose. The girls re-dyed the curtains and draperies in the automatic washing machine.

The kitchen curtains are canary yellow and the clothing lab draperies are Margaret rose. A map of Carteret County (secured from the Chamber of Commerce) has been framed and hung on the clothing laboratory wall.

The 1st year home ec girls have pickled red pepper relish, canned and preserved pears, canned and froze butterbeans, and made hot pepper vinegar while studying food preservation.

The Beaufort Future Homemakers of America met Labor Day in the school auditorium and installed Ada Sue Owens as president; Nancy Davis, vice-president; Jackie Young, secretary; Judy Mason, treasurer; Jane Safrit, reporter; Catherine Potter, pianist; Linda Fodrie, song leader and Johnnie Hardesty, as parliamentarian.

Ada Sue, the president, presented Clyda Ruth Taylor with a sterling silver gavel to be worn on the chain guard of her F.H.A. pin.

The president appointed a committee to type and compile the yearbooks for the members. Winky Willis is heading this committee.

Money making projects were discussed and the group voted to continue selling school pencils, concessions at basketball games and to sponsor school dances in the Scout Building after football games.

Mrs. Beveridge, the chapter adviser, reported a balance of \$269.83 in the F.H.A. school treasury. The members voted to purchase an automatic washing machine and a dryer for the homemaking department. A balance of \$12.70 was reported in the local treasury.

Sept. 27 was set as the date for freshmen F.H.A. initiation and razzing party. All chapter members must have dues

paid by this date in order to participate in the initiation and be included in the F.H.A. picture for the school annual which will be made Sept. 30.

A bus was chartered to carry the Morehead City and Beaufort F.H.A. members to the District II Rally held in the Goldsboro High School, Oct. 2.

Linda Fodrie, the song leader, and Catherine Potter, the pianist, led the group in group singing.

The closing ritual was used to dismiss the meeting.

The first Monday of each school month has been scheduled as the meeting date.

The Morehead City Chapter of the Future Homemakers of America held its first meeting of the year in the school auditorium Wednesday. After the singing of the prayer song, the meeting was called to order by the president, Beadie Lewis, Mary Lou Davis, vice-president, conducted the rest of the meeting.

The minutes were read by Gloria Hall, secretary, and the treasurer, Shirley Ebron, gave her report, asking that the annual dues be paid by the first week in October.

Several committees were formed and the projects for the year were discussed. Committee appointments: finance committee, Shirley Ebron, chairman; publicity, Ellen Bordeaux; projects, Judy Willis; initiation, Libby Wade and Lina Wade; service room, Doris McQueen; and program, Mary Lou Davis.

Members were urged to attend the district rally in Goldsboro Saturday and plans were made to go by bus with the Beaufort Chapter.

Thirty-eight new members will be initiated Tuesday and it was voted to hold the meeting in the school auditorium and invite parents of the old and new members. Former presidents of the chapter have been invited in recognition of the 10th year since the organization of the Future Homemakers in this state, and school.

The chapter voted to give \$25 to the home economics department for new equipment. A vote of appreciation was expressed and a note written to the faculty for allowing the chapter to meet at the first period.

The officers of the Rolesville Future Homemakers of America chapter met Thursday night, Aug. 19, at the Homemaking cottage to discuss plans for the coming year.

Programs were planned for each month's meeting and the following projects were discussed: A "Join F.H.A. Day" for freshman girls, improvement of the cottage grounds, better methods of clothing construction, and the addition of an automatic washing machine to the department.

A buffet supper was served and pictures were made for the Chapter yearbook.

Another meeting -- a morning meeting to clean-up and dress-up the Homemaking cottage for the opening of school -- was set for Sept. 1, 9 a.m.

Initiation for the 27 new Rolesville F.H.A. members was held Sept. 23, at Rolesville High School. Each new member was dressed in an "outlandish costume" and was required to follow procedures set up by the chapter F.H.A. officers. The day was filled to the brim with fun and surprises for all the 27

girls as well as the other students. After a very exciting day, the girls returned home, now real F.H.A. members.

On the following day the Rolesville F.H.A. "old" girls entertained the F.H.A. boys and "new" freshman F.H.A. girls at an old-fashion ice-cream party. The Chapter officers served homemade ice cream in three flavors, vanilla, pineapple, and chocolate, under the trees behind the cottage to over 100 F.H.A. and F.F.A. members.

At the same time the F.F.A. boys initiated their new freshman members so the girls could enjoy the fun with them. The freshman boys were all sports enough to eat the girls' ice-cream, dosed up with celery seed, without spoons. And they still said it was "good."

The Future Homemakers of the Spencer High School gave a reception during the first part of the school year to honor the freshmen F.H.A. girls, their parents and members of the faculty.

The department was decorated with red roses, ferns and mixed autumn flowers. Each of the honored girls was given a corsage of red roses.

Nancy Kester, Jeanne Waddell, Dot Holt, Ruth Long, Mary Sigmon, Ruth Lambe and Rosalie Myers met the guests at the door and introduced them to the receiving line which included Peggy Peacock, vice-president of the Junior F.H.A., Beverly Brannock, president, Carolyn West, secretary, and Miss Jane Buie, Treasurer.

Susie Sherlin directed the guests to the register which was kept by Georgia Dorsett. Punch, mints, and cookies were served by Marilyn Grant, Becky Wright, Betty Lou Trexler and Christine Agner. Good-byes were said to Joyce Smith. Mrs. Lester Slate is adviser.

The Spencer Dance Band provided music for the occasion.

Congratulations to Four F.H.A.er's of the Cobb Memorial Chapter

When time came for the Challenge Program to be presented in the Cobb Memorial School District of Caswell County, the homemaking side was presented by four F.H.A. members. These members who assisted their Agricultural teacher in presenting this program were: Frances Ingram, Lenma Jane Strader, Carolyn Austin and Barbara Hughey. They gave this program in three Caswell County Schools.

These girls have already received their Junior Homemaking Degrees. They are now working on their Chapter Degree. They are members of the sophomore class and are second year Homemaking girls.

REMINDER FOR 1954-55

A good project for an individual or group is an organized and usable F.H.A. file. Help is found in the Adviser's Handbook, page 30.

COVER PAGE

The Shelby Future Homemakers presented a Mother-Daughter Television Show over station WBTV last spring. The participants in the program pictured here are left to right: Mrs. R. A. Peterson, mother of the chapter president, Mrs. Harriette Holton, chapter adviser, Alan Newcomb, master of ceremonies, and Beth Peterson, president of the Shelby Chapter. Description of program found on page 7.

Chapter Program Ideas

HOMEMAKER vs. HOUSEWIFE

Introduction: When asked their occupation many women say, Oh, I'm only a housewife, insinuating that they are playing very insignificant roles. However, as Future Homemakers, we already realize that being a homemaker is quite a complicated and very important profession. To be a good homemaker, one must be highly qualified for many types of work, not just a specialist in one field. However, like many of our mothers, we prefer homemaker instead of housewife, but there seems to be a stubborn refusal to accord us this title.

A woman we heard of went the other day to transact some business which required the filling out of a form. The following conversation ensued:

The girl behind the desk who is acting the part of a man interviewer is Ann Stem, the part of the homemaker is played by Virginia Ingram. (Man is seated behind desk; homemaker enters.)

Man: Your name please?

HM: Mrs. Joe Brown.

Man: Your address?

HM: Lavaca, Arkansas.

Man: Occupation?

HM: I am a dietitian. Wait a minute, don't write yet. I am also an interior decorator.

Man: What shall I put?

HM: Let me think a minute. I have a small clothing factory, too, where I make children's clothes. It's a seasonal job, and I'm the sole operator of my one machine.

Man: Shall we say manufacturer?

HM: Well, maybe not. That doesn't give a full picture. You see, I'm a chef also.

Man: A regular working chef or a short-order cook?

HM: Oh both. It depends on the meal. Then, too, you could call me a custodian. I give custodial care, as I believe government agencies call it, to a single, eight-room house.

Man: Madame, you must make up your mind. What are you?

HM: Well, I am also the tutor of four small children, an etiquette expert, and social secretary for the whole household, taking telephone messages, arranging bridge parties, and so on. Besides that, I'm the purchasing agent, and oh, I mustn't forget! I am the official hostess, the glamorous character without a care

in the world, who entertains so graciously, or else!

Man: Or else — what, Madame?

HM: Or else, I hear about it later.

Man: Now, if you please, madame, let us fill out this form. You say you don't know what to call yourself. Let me help you out. You are a housewife.

HM: Uhh — uh!

Man: But it says so right here in my book.

HM: But I don't care what it says in your book.

Man: We must put something.

HM: May I ask you a question? What is your racket?

Man: My racket, as you call it, is that of a Junior Personnel Consultant. Civil Service classification number four.

HM: I see. Why don't you just call yourself a "working man"?

Man: I see no reason why I should, Madame.

HM: Why not? You're a man. And you work?

Man: Of course.

HM: Then you are a "working man," and I don't understand your strange reluctance to describe yourself as a working man. It's just as noble a term as housewife. You're not ashamed of working are you?

Man: Far from it. I just don't like the term "working man."

HM: And I don't like the term "housewife."

Man: Madame, let's just leave that space blank!

Skit taken from the *Arkansas Future Homemakers of America Magazine*, February 1954.

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of what has gone on if your group requests it during the meeting.

9. Encourage the group to correct and to amend your record when you are in doubt.
10. Number the pages of your notes.
11. Ask the group to finish up the problem at hand before going on to another one.

The 44 delegates to the Southern Regional Meeting at Daytona Beach, Florida were: Miss Carolyn Brinkley, Plymouth; Mary Elizabeth Ridge, Goldsboro; Frances Wilson, Bailey; Mrs. Sallie P. Moore, Liberty; Mrs. Louise M. Porter, West Mecklenburg; Mrs.

Rosa W. Parker, North Davidson; Mercedith Whitaker, Andrews; Edith Councilman, Sumner; Dorothy Fitzgerald, Pikeville; Alice Parrish, Edenton; Carol Lynn Garriss, Pikeville; Betty Calhoun, Seventy-First; Sara Eason, Franklinton; Judy Bowman, Alexander-Wilson, Nancy Christenbury, East Mecklenburg; Claudette Belton, Old Town; Margo Sicha, Lec H. Edwards; Ann Aldridge, Bartlett-Yancey; Mary Elizabeth Berrier, North Davidson; Patricia Buffaloe and Ann Rowe, Garner; Frances Burris, Wingate; Evelyn Cook, Stokesdale; Mary Cook and Barbara LaMarr, Sumner; Carolyn Davis, East Mecklenburg; Jane Frazier and Sarah Murray, Franklinton; Carol Gilbert, Tri-City, Hazel Gurley, Rosewood; Betty Haitchcock, John Graham, Loretta Hillard, Lowe's Grove; Bo-Peep Kuykendall, Kernersville; Sue Lassiter, Plymouth, Patricia Morgan, Lowe's Grove; Orlanda J. Pope, Stokesdale; Betty Love Potter, Pamlico County; Ruth Temple, Wakelon; Rebecca Truelove, Fuquay Springs; Minnie Lee Vanhoy, Walkertown; Faye Walker, Bethesda; June Watson, Hugh Mor-

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planning, preparing and serving their own meals.

Part of the program at the beach was spent on evaluation of last year's work. The group helped to complete the State F.H.A. Yearly Report, and reviewed back copies of the F.H.A. magazines gathering many ideas from other chapters throughout the state.

The officers feel that this type of planning plays an important part in the way the chapter functions. There is time to lay plans and talk them through before the hustle and bustle of the school year begins. Several committee chairmen were appointed, and committees were set up. This early appointment gave members ample time to begin looking for good ideas. This has really proved to be one of the best ways of planning for the years program of work because the girls really get to know each other and have a wonderful time together—even if it does mean a little extra dish washing too. "We hope more of you will try it—we think it's great!" stated Margaret Gold, President of Shelby F.H.A. Chapter.

son; Louise Williams, Benton Heights; and the State F.H.A. Adviser, Mrs. Faye T. Coleman.

Future Homemakers of America

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We are the Future Homemakers of America
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope,
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking
Old and precious values.

For we are the builders of homes,
Homes for America's future.
Homes where living will be the expression of everything
That is good and fair.
Homes where truth and love and security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

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"The homes of tomorrow are in
the hands of the youth
of today"



CAROLINE SAYS:

Did you know that Miss Catherine T. Dennis, your own North Carolina State Supervisor of Home Economics Education, is a September Cover Girl? In addition to being the cover page on the fall issue of *Seventeen at School* she may also be found in *Practical Home Economics*, September 1954 on pages 28 and 32 and in the *Journal of Home Economics*, September 1954 on pages 448, 470 and 471. Be sure to look her up; she's our "FHA Member of the Month."



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To create more interest in F.H.A. and F.F.A. our advisors helped us to sponsor a contest to select Miss F.H.A. and Mr. F.F.A. of Mountain Park. Melba Wood won the title of Miss F.H.A. and Freddy Gentry, Mr. F.F.A. Melba is a freshman, 15 years old, has blue eyes, blond hair, 5 feet 4 inches tall, weighs 105 pounds.

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All members of the home economics supervisory staff in the State Department of Public Instruction join me thanking every Future Homemaker and every adviser for her contribution to the progress of the state association through contributing to the success of Fall Rally programs. Special tribute goes to each district adviser and to each state officer in North Carolina.

May your Christmas Season be joyful and your New Year filled with happiness.

FAYE T. COLEMAN

The Year — 1954

The Week — Oct. 31-Nov. 6

The Event — National F.H.A. Week

Wouldn't it be interesting, revealing, and truly inspiring if every Future Homemaker in North Carolina could have a composite picture of all the many F.H.A. activities which were in progress during the 1954 National F.H.A. Week? It is now evident that Future Homemakers in North Carolina are doing more than just familiarizing the public with the name of our organization. They are demonstrating, illustrating and living the principles for which the organization stands.

The stories of the projects and activities which you are about to read are examples of activities and projects thousands of Future Homemakers throughout North Carolina and the nation were engaged in during F.H.A. Week.

Perhaps not unique, but certainly a most appreciated and worthy endeavor on the part of the Future Homemakers of the Roxboro Chapter was the morning devotions presented each morning over the Public Address System as a part of their week's program in observance of National F.H.A. Week. Two of these devotional services by the Roxboro Chapter are as follows:

Devotional for "Proclamation of F.H.A. Week." Day—Monday

"As president of the Roxboro Chapter of the Future Homemakers of America I would like to announce that we are observing this week 'National F.H.A. Week.' As one phase of our program members will give the devotional each morning this week.

"Today we begin our program and activities. We realize that the leaders and members of any organization endeavoring to do their best will automatically influence not only those who participate but those who see and hear. With this thought in mind, I shall read verses taken from the Sermon on the Mount. Here Christ discusses the importance of influence. Matthew 5: 14, 15, 16.

"This poem came to a high school girl one Sunday morning as she sat in church and heard her pas-

tor speak on the influence of individuals:

Some time ago, I went to church
Not feeling very bright
The day before had all gone wrong;
I hadn't slept that night.

Somehow I dragged through Sunday school
And stayed for service, too,
But just to breathe enough to live
Seemed all that I could do.

Then, going out, I passed a girl
Who saw that I felt blue;
She said, 'Hi there, we play grown-up a lot,
And I always play I am you.'

At first it so surprised me
That I could hardly see.
To think that such a tiny girl
Would want to be like me.

I thanked her for the compliment
And slowly walked away;
I felt much better, lifted up,
I saw where my path lay.

For she taught me a lesson
I had never fully known,
That someone else would help me
reap
The crop which I have sown.

Since then I've tried to say what's right
To think what's right, and do
Exactly what I'm sure I'd have
That little girl to do.

And when I am tired or worried
And feel that no one is true
I remember 'Hi there, we play
grown-up a lot
And I always play I am you.'

"Let us pray:

"Eternal Father, forgive us for the many ways when we failed to influence others in the right way. May we ever keep in mind the fact that somewhere someone is using us as a guide, and may our lives be worthy of this honor. Amen."

Today is "What F.H.A. Means to Me Day" (Thursday)

"I shall read Philipians 3: 13, 14 and chapter 4:13. Paul offers here a challenge to each of us to reach forth unto those things which are before and press toward the mark for the high calling of God. Being a member of the Future Homemakers of America, to me, gives each girl a chance to press toward the mark of the calling of God when preparing herself in any way to become a future homemaker. For the young lady of today there could be no greater challenge. It isn't and won't be an easy job. In the play 'Green Pastures' you remember Gabriel looks down upon the earth with this sad observation 'There ain't nothing fastened down there no more.' There are many indications that the homes of today are not fastened down as they should be. It is becoming clear that happy and normal homes are a vital need of our times. This fact should lead each of us to consider carefully how we may make our homes now happier and more secure and how we can best prepare ourselves for our future role as a homemaker."

Prayer:

"We thank thee, O God, for our homes. Help each of us to do his best to make his home brighter, happier, and suitable for thine indwelling. And while we pray for this blessing, we remember those for various reasons who are homeless. Dwell with and comfort these also in Jesus' dear name. Amen."

The Bryson City Chapter of Future Homemakers presented a shadow show entitled "Oops, Your Manners Please" in assembly during National F.H.A. Week. The script was written to suit the situation at Swain County High School.

Before the show "The Lord's Prayer" (devotional given at Daytona Beach) was given also in shadow, and was very effective.

All signs used were cut out of old window shades, with colored cellophane taped over the cut-out letters to give color to the words on the screen, when the light was turned on behind them.

Script:

Narrator:

LISTEN ALL!

I have a story to tell . . . a story of great interest, for its beginning dates back to the time when man first associated with man, many, many years ago . . . but, before I



Scene from the shadow show entitled "Oops, Your Manners Please" by the Bryson City Future Homemakers at the Swain County High School during National F.H.A. Week. Script for this show begins on page 1.

go on with my story, I want to present to you Jessica (pause) and James (pause), who will help me tell my story . . . and their helpers (pause for appearance).

Now you noticed that Jessica was a polite little lady, who curtsied when introduced to you, and you might have supposed her to be a girl who lived in some far-gone period of our history; but actually she is a student of Swain High, and she was only showing her respect for a very special group of people—YOU, students of Swain High—and I'm telling you this story because I believe in you, and I believe, too, that you are interested enough in YOUR school to make it the best possible school ever. Now if Jessica were meeting a queen, of course she would curtsy, but if she were meeting one of you, personally, she would extend her hand and say "How do you do?" Just remember, that is the accepted way to meet a stranger in our country. You are not living in Alaska where people rub noses when introduced, or in Africa where a hearty good head bump is quite the proper way to become acquainted. So remember, you never say "Pleasedameetya," but a friendly "How do you do?"

Now to get back to my story, I considered myself extremely lucky one day when I was invited to spend the day at Swain High, and there I was able to observe, first hand, the actions of Jessica and James and all their classmates. As I have told you before, the origin of accepted forms of behavior began with the earliest mankind; and it was then that people and animals lived in groups and herds in

order to receive protection. If a prey should suddenly descend upon them, they would stampede, running for safety, irregardless of whatever should be in their path. It is only a logical deduction on my part, that for some mysterious reason, on that day, at exactly 1:10 o'clock, the entire student body suddenly reverted to a very primitive form of behavior, and stampeded across the campus to the safety of the lunchroom. In this civilized age I wondered just what caused such behavior—and you should have seen Jessica and James! They were leading the stampede with nothing short of "ninety." Just suppose for one moment, what would happen, if one lone femme, should trip and fall. She would simply be fit for burial—that's all!

Oh, you laugh my friends! But think further with me . . . Imagine how valuable your life would be, Should you be the one to trip on the stair, In gathering you up, they'd find scarcely a hair!

When Jessica and James reached the lunchroom they suddenly became civilized human beings again, and oh such manners! They didn't push ahead of anyone in the line . . . although I saw several others who considered themselves privileged bluebloods, and too important to wait their turn. James held Jessica's chair, and helped her be seated. They enjoyed their food and each other's company, and even told the cooks how much they enjoyed their lunch as they put up their trays. But you should have seen the

couple at the next table. You would have thought they were eating for wages; they talked with their mouths full of food, and really shoveled the food in, and the surprising thing was, when they finished they sat and sat, while others waited all around them for a place to sit down. A-N-D that big football hero I heard so many speaking of, well, he certainly must have used all his energy on the field for he didn't have the strength to lift his food to his mouth, but sat doubled up over his food—so the load would be lighter I suppose!

As I finished my lunch I followed the crowd around the corner to the left, and immediately saw the attraction—ice cream!

I noticed the school had very thoughtfully placed trash cans for the convenience of all civilized students—but what do you think I saw? Plenty of people who had not yet learned to think; for if they had, I'm sure so much paper and trash would not have been thrown around for someone else to clean up.

Scarcely had I gulped my last lick of ice cream when the bell sounded, and surprisingly enough the students didn't run to the high-school building as they did to the lunchroom. This was hard to understand but I just chalked it up to progress!

I slipped into a back seat in one of the classrooms and tried to lock very inconspicuous . . . and even if I kept one eye closed you would be surprised at what I saw. The tardy-bell sounded, and after a moment in walked a prima donna who evidently thought she could make a more dramatic entrance by being late. She had not heard that time waits for no one, so why should anybody else? That started me to thinking of just what kind of a lecture I would deliver to all those corny Casanovas, who are unduly impressed with themselves and are always arriving late to class. Tardiness is a serious social sin—yes, even at school! So step up your steps ladies and gents—but no stampeding please!

For an old scholar like me, my ears fairly split when the "Kings English" was "murdered." SOME, very thoughtlessly used the most expressive language on earth in a manner which marked them as being both lazy and indifferent. So as long as we are being judged by the English we use, let's polish it up a bit, and soon you'll find that it has polished you. Incidentally, its no com-

pliment to your school to use poor English—haven't you noticed those gray hairs in Mr. Wikle's head—he got those from trying to teach you better—so be a good sport and learn your grammar well!

That buzz session in the back of the room . . . it went on and on—I was beginning to wonder if some humans were a bit mixed up and were trying to manufacture honey—but, of course not! Someone just hadn't heard that it was very poor taste to talk when the teacher was talking. Someday the tables might turn, and when YOU have the floor you'll find out how that *really* is!

Please someone, give that boy a button — didn't you hear what I heard? He just asked the teacher if he could close the windows for her. It was the end of the period, and no more classes in that room for the day. How thoughtful and considerate! Why can't everyone be that way?

Well, bless all my seventeen buttons, if I didn't really strike it lucky! Someone must have known football was my favorite sport, for before I got out of the building I had landed a free ticket to what was supposed to be the hardest-fought game of the season.

WHAT A GAME! The going really was close — and those cheerleaders were earnestly at work. But, the game was spoiled by a few poor sports who could never see the same things the referees saw—and what boos, temper and language they exhibited for all listeners! Now, if you think I'm going to tell you those poor sports were from Swain High — oh no, they must have been from Sylva! I was happy to learn that Swain High students showed better sportsmanship — keep up the good work!

Perhaps you think I have already given the climax to my story. Oh no, this story has an anticlimax, and you can judge for yourself whether or not it detracts, as in all good stories there is a possibility that it might. I found out that Jessica and James were really in love — at least, I think-they-were. . . . This is how I found out—against my good judgment to get more rest, I was persuaded to go the owl show. Frankly, I don't remember a great deal about the picture for I found more amusement just two seats ahead. Jessica and James were putting on their own show—for all the public — and the public eye was really on them.



Left to Right are Leona Rick, Betty Bzukowicz modeling suits they made for the Christmas Fashion Revue. The models are Mount Holly F.H.A. members.

A moral there has been to my story;
A moral that has been plain to see—
If the manners in Swain County
High improve,
It will be up to both you and me!

A CHRISTMAS FASHION REVUE—FEATURE OF DECEMBER PROGRAM

On December 10, 1953, the Mount Holly Chapter of the F.H.A. presented a Christmas play and a fashion revue for the P.T.A. meeting.

Approximately seventy F.H.A. and home economics students participated in the activities.

The comedy play, presented as the first part of the program, was entitled "Aunt Carrie's Christmas Carol." The play concerned an old lady who had not seen her suitor in 20 years because of a misunderstanding. One of the girls was dressed as a Negro maid and sang

Negro spirituals. The audience was in an uproar at various intervals.

The fashion show was narrated by three candidates for state degree, Peggie Greene, president of F.H.A.; Sharon Herring, Frances Hamilton, reporter.

An "Old-Timy" living room and a large Christmas tree was the scene of the Fashion Revue.

The students modeled suits, coats, jerseys, skirt and westkit combinations, that they had made themselves from wool, velveteen, gabardine, orlon and wool, and cotton jersey.

The closing feature of the Fashion Revue was the Bunny Hop. The Bunny Hop was danced by the girls who made pajamas and one little brother of an F.H.A. member who was dressed as a bunny. Material used was manufactured by American and Efid Mills in Mt. Holly.

Following the Fashion Revue, a

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Left: Beth Peterson; Shirley Putman; Mary Alice Farham, Walkertown; Minnie Lou Vannhoy, Walkertown; Norma Evans, Kernersville; Bo Peep Kuykendall, Kernersville.



"The Pajama Party," an informal means of telling the audience what happened at the Southern Regional Convention at Daytona Beach last June. Left to right are: Mary Alice Farham, Walkertown; Minnie Lou Vannhoy, Walkertown; Norma Evans, Kernersville; Bo Peep Kuykendall, Kernersville.

has given me the opportunity to appear before you as a candidate for the Vice-Presidency of our organization. I consider it a privilege to be able to stand before you and express my ideas.

F. H. A. has also shown me the importance of being a worthy member of my family and has helped me to understand these words taken from our Creed:

We are the builders of homes—
Homes where truth and love and
security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

Are these — truth, love, security and faith — not also the basis of world peace and happiness?

If thousands of girls all over the U. S. are working toward these goals, our influence to be felt. I am proud to be a part of such an organization—an organization that teaches us to have faith in ourselves and others, to be democratic at all times; and above all, to strive for what is best for everyone.

In conclusion, I should like to say that I would greatly appreciate your support, and I will earnestly endeavor to fulfill the office to the best of my ability if I am elected as your State Vice-President of the Future Homemakers of America.

Thank you.

DISTRICT II

"Our Heritage," a most inspiring drama portraying American democracy in the freedom of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness presented by the Goldmasquers, was the high-lighting feature of the day's program at District II Rally in Goldsboro on October 3. The pageant was directed by Mr. Clifton Britton who is an honorary member of the State Association of Future Homemakers. Mr. Britton also directed "Fall Portraits," a showing of fall fashions modeled by Future Homemakers with all the grace and beauty of professional models. With the perfect background and the "just-right" lighting used for each

model — one had a feeling that she must be dreaming what she was seeing.

Real talent was demonstrated by the members of the Quin-County Federation in District II. Lack of time prevented some of the members from displaying their talent, however.

DISTRICT III

"Programs on Parade" featured during the afternoon session of District III Rally in Williams Township School October 2, proved to be entertaining, educational, and related to the purposes of the F.H.A. Furthermore, each program could be taken back to the local communities. "Programs on Parade" was introduced by the Lumberton Chapter. The programs were as follows: "Tater Family," by the Red Springs Chapter; "Builders of Homes" (See page 2 November 1954 issue of *Teen Times* for skit), by the Barnesville Chapter; and "From Here to Eternity and Back," an original skit by the Rowland Chapter.

OUTLINE OF SKIT OF REGIONAL MEETING IN DAYTONA BEACH PRESENTED AT DISTRICT IV RALLY

Narrator: Frances Wilson, District IV adviser.

I wish all of you could have attended the Regional Meeting in Daytona Beach, but since wishes can't always come true we want to take you to Daytona Beach in an imaginary way.

(Introduction.)

Now just what are the girls wearing at this meeting? Well here's a girl from Texas. (Texas girl comes out with petticoats.)

At the first general session, North Carolina is responsible for roll call. (Roll call demonstrated.)

Thought-promoting and picturesque devotions are given at each general session to produce the atmosphere needed for the remainder of the meeting. One is the "Builders of Homes" where a house is built — foundation, walls, roof, windows, doors, chimney, steps, shrubbery and flowers — each part signifies a special meaning in a home. A musical background and such songs as "Bless This House" and "Home Sweet Home" are sung as part of the service. Another devotion is the speech, "I Am an American," read by a reader off stage while a statue of liberty was viewed by the audience.

We are fortunate to have such wonderful consultants for helping us become leaders for better homes. Etcetera. I now introduce to you Mama and Papa.

(Impersonation of Dr. Moore and Dr. Keltner.)

We completed our discussion groups yesterday. There were twenty small groups of girls with a chairman, recorder and hostess in each. The chairmen of the groups are ready to give you their report now. (Pantomime by all chairmen.)

I thought we had a lot of fun at fish fry, but that band concert! And I sure am looking forward to that banquet Friday night, too.

We can't forget our National Officer at the meeting. She did a wonderful job

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of presiding and she carried off that election of officers like it just came natural.

I always like plays and I know you do, too. That one called "Moonlight, Magnolias and Ghosts" is one I especially like. Each state is represented by an outstanding homemaker and North Carolina has Dolly Madison. (Ruth Temple, dressed as Dolly Madison, steps on stage and speaks.)

I want you to meet Mariá from Puerto Rico, who is grand at doing those Spanish dances. (Mariá dances.)

(Girls come on stage with basket of souvenirs.) Sarah, what are you doing with all these things in your basket? My, this is a very lovely compact. And these earbobs! (Souvenirs displayed and explained.)

DISTRICT V

Quotes from an article which appeared on the front page of the *Greensboro Daily*, on Sunday, November 14.

F.H.A. MEMBERS POLITICK AT MADISON MEETING

By Barton Hickman

Madison, November 13

"About 500 girls from six Piedmont counties held a convention here today. For most, it was their first experience in the big-scale working of democracy.

"The girls were all members of the Future Homemakers of America. The occasion was the annual rally of F.H.A. District Five. The high-light was the election of one of the top eight officers in the state F.H.A.

"There was buttonholing of delegates out in the corridors, passing out favors (penny candy in this case) and, between the first and second ballots, hasty conferences and decisions to vote whole school delegations in blocs.

"The delegates represented the home economics classes of about 25 high schools in Rockingham, Caswell, Guilford, Alamance, Randolph and Chatham counties. Each school F.H.A. chapter was allowed one vote for each five F.H.A. members they had enrolled last year.

"Some schools sent more delegates than they had votes. Others were allowed more votes than they had delegates present. Bloc-voting by schools thus frequently occurred. But there were also those rugged individualists who exercised their right to cast separate ballots.

"Charles Fleming, principal of Madison High School, welcomed the F.H.A. delegates after which the youngsters efficiently took over the operation of the meeting themselves. The four candidates were introduced, each by a classmate sponsor, in the traditional "a girl who" method.

"Mr. J. Allen Lewis, Superintendent of Rockingham Schools, furnished both light and serious entertainment during the afternoon session. Mr. Lewis is an honorary member of the State Association of Future Homemakers.

"The program ended with an inspirational talk by Rev. Howard Alfred, pastor of Draper Methodist Church."

DISTRICT VI

Two honorary members of the Concord Chapter of Future Homemakers of America and the Chapter President were among those getting the District VI rally off to a good start on Saturday, November 13, in the Concord High School.

The two honorary members were none

other than the Superintendent of Concord City Schools, Dr. R. Brown McAllister, and the Concord High School Principal, Mr. Ralph A. Glenn. They brought words of greeting and welcome as did Miss Linda Waddell, local chapter president. Incidentally, Linda, was elected during the day to the office of State Reporter, coming from District VI.

Program features during the day were a talk by Mrs. E. A. Morgan, Chapter Mother, from Star, on "The Real Value of Future Homemakers" and a talk by Mr. Shaw Smith, Co-ordinator of Student Activities, Davidson College.

Mr. Smith's unusual topic was "Leisure Time, Fun or Funny" and he proved to be a most entertaining speaker, convulsing his audience with laughter, and yet emphasizing the fact that homemaking is the most important job a girl can prepare herself for — revealing a keen understanding of his youthful audience.

Frances Burris, former National F.H.A. officer from North Carolina, who is now a student at Wingate College, and incidentally preparing to major in home economics, appeared on the program during the day, and she had with her also the members of the Wingate College Sextet, of which Frances herself is a member. They gave some special music throughout the day.

DISTRICT VII

The main feature of the day's program was a very beautiful and inspiring pageant presented by the Forsyth and Stokes county chapters. The theme, "F.H.A., Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow," Narrators Phyllis Thompson, Bo Peep Kuykendall and Pat Smith, told the story while various scenes were enacted. Eight lovely girls dressed in white evening gowns and holding lighted nosegays of red roses represented the spirits of F.H.A. Other scenes such as "The F.H.A. Girl in the Family Group"; "School Club"; "Christmas Time"; "Grandmother"; "The F.H.A. Girl and a Younger Child"; "Public Relations"; "City and Country Girl"; "Detectives"; "Funs-a-Flying King Club"; and "F.H.A. Carpenters" were illustrated. Music furnished by choral groups added beauty and meaning to the pageant.

Special guests were recognized by Lansing Chapter. Those present were Miss Louise Lowe, District State Supervisor of Homemaking; Miss French, a pioneer in F.H.A. work, from Catawba College and Mrs. R. S. Ferguson, who is an honorary F.H.A. member.

Mrs. Faye Benton, F.H.A. Adviser at Old Town, and Mrs. Rosa Parker, F.H.A. Adviser at North Davidson and District VII F.H.A. Adviser, were given special recognition by the acting president, Claudette Belton.

DISTRICT VIII RALLY

"TODAY IS MY FUTURE," a symposium by five state homemakers, was the high-light of the afternoon session of District VIII Rally held at Lee Edwards High School, Asheville, October 9. Margo Sicha, State Treasurer, presided.

A few less than 1,000 attended. F.H.A. Members, Advisers, Chapter Mothers, and other guests came from all parts of western North Carolina seeing the first fall colors in the mountain foliage, many traveling the new four-lane highway between Old Fort and Ridgecrest for the

first time, and many attending a district meeting of Future Homemakers for the first time. Ruth Bryan, Chapter President at Lee Edwards, and her hostess committee gave these delegates a most hearty welcome.

A panel of youths and parents discussed questions from the audience and high-lighted the general topic, "Personality—A 1954 View." Mrs. Mary Anee Duke, Family Life Co-ordinator in Asheville, was panel leader and participants were: Mr. W. F. Algary, Rev. Mark Jenkins, Mrs. Leon Lachman, and four Lee Edwards students; Nell Cherry, Mary Ann Dermind, John Wilson and Bill Algary.

Eight candidates for State Secretary for 1956-57 were presented and their qualifications given by Carolyn Erwin, Morganton Chapter. Miss Martha Morrison, Rutherforddon-Spindale, was elected.

During the symposium five state homemakers reported on what F.H.A. has meant to them, and gave delightful accounts on various activities they had participated in during last year. These girls were: Shirley Putman, Tri-High, Caroleen, "Local Chapter Projects"; Betty Jackowitz, Mount Holly, "My Experience in Working on Degree Committee"; Judie Ellie, Oakley, reported on chapter activities; Caroline Pruitt, Rutherforddon, "Opportunities for Leadership and Worthwhile Community Effort Through County F.H.A. Organizations," and Judy Presley of Clyde Chapter, told how she worked on personal goals.

Other features of the program were: Devotional, "The Lord's Prayer in the Life of a girl," Waco Chapter, Anna Dodd, Joan Cline, and Judy Pope; group singing led by Mr. Seth Perkinson, Community Recreational leader; pictorial map for roll call by Haywood County.

Dr. Jack Fellows, Black Mountain, talked to the group on "Recreation, Group and Individual," at the close of the afternoon session. The Lee Edwards Jazz Band entertained after lunch.

NUMBER ATTENDING DISTRICT FUTURE HOMEMAKERS RALLIES IN NORTH CAROLINA

I—	789
II—	844
III—	698
IV—	847
V—	470
VI—	408
VII—	829
VIII—	987

Total—5,872

NAMES OF OFFICERS ELECTED FOR 1955-56

I—	Jeannette Worthington — Vice-President — Ayden
II—	Carol Lynn Garriss — President — Pikeville
III—	Betty Olsen — Song Leader — New Hanover
IV—	Judy Hamlet — Historian — Lowe's Grove
V—	Jane Honeycutt — Parliamentarian — Trinity
VI—	Linda Waddell — Reporter — Concord High School
VII—	Becky Shuping — Treasurer — Boyden
VIII—	Martha Morrison — Secretary — Rutherforddon-Spindale

Chapter Chatter

Bailey Chapter began observing National F.H.A. Week with the initiation of new members. One entire page of the *Bailey Bugle*, the school newspaper, was devoted to interpreting the meaning and value of the Future Homemakers organization. Activities continued throughout the week.

The Beaufort F.H.A. Chapter members have been busy and active all fall. They sponsored a dance in the Scout Building one Saturday night. Forty teen-agers attended the dance. They observed National F.H.A. week doing something interesting and worthwhile each day. Sunday they furnished flowers for the altar and were recognized on the printed program. To earn money for project activity the chapter is selling green and white school emblems and football boosterette pins. Thirty-eight Beaufort and Morehead City F.H.A.'ers chartered a bus to the state fair. Mrs. T. P. Allen and Mrs. Edna Gibbs served as chaperones. The chapter purchased a 1955 Bendix Deluxe dryer. The committee members appointed to take care of the schools first-aid room each month especially enjoy the machine.

The Boyden Chapter encouraged membership by having a social for the old members and sponsoring an assembly program for prospective members. First-year home economics girls prepared the refreshments (punch and cookies) for the social, which was held after school. Boyden was host to District VII Rally which was held October 16.

The Lillington F.H.A. Chapter won first prize of \$50.00 for their fair exhibit at the Four-County Fair in Dunn this year. The theme of the exhibit was "Attractive Inexpensive Table Settings."

The Morehead City Chapter of Future Homemakers was honored to have Mrs. Grayden Willis, the first president of the Morehead City Chapter to speak at one of their meetings in October. Mrs. Willis, the former Rachel Brock, told the members of the benefits which could be derived from being a member of the Future Homemakers of America. Thursday of Education Week, Beadie Lewis, our president, gave a 2½-minute radio talk on F.H.A. Each day one or two of our school organizations were on the radio. This was very good.

The Mount Holly Chapter is using a system of organization and program execution which was worked out by the members and their adviser to fit into the situation in their school, with large membership and a full schedule. If you are interested, a copy of the procedures sent in by Eulanda Auten, chairman of the Mount Holly second-year F.H.A. members can be sent to you upon request to the State F.H.A. Adviser.

The Mountain Park Chapter displayed an exhibit at the Mount Airy and Mountain Park Community fairs. We also sponsored the cake walk at the Halloween carnival. We attended the officers' workshop at Franklin School. Our attendance was good for the District VII

Rally, Salisbury. We attended the county rally at Mount Airy and participated in the program. We also observed F.H.A. week. The outstanding things we did were to bring unused clothing for needy families in our own community and to send others overseas. We eliminated some of our complaints by having "No-Gripe" Day and made our parents appreciate us more by doing some of their chores and showing our appreciation for them.

The Red Springs Chapter had 17 delegates to attend the District III Rally at the Williams Township School on October 9. The Red Springs Chapter presented a skit "The Tater Family," a very entertaining portrayal of varied types of human personalities. The cast consisted of Betty Gray Dorman, narrator, and Anne Bodenheimer, demonstrator.

In the Shelby High School fifty-eight home economics students were initiated into Future Homemakers of America in special services during school hours on Thursday with final initiation in the evening at 7:00 o'clock in the school auditorium.

The girls, all students of Mrs. Harriett Holton and Mrs. Carlyle Cornwell, attended classes yesterday in their Sunday-best, complete from heels to earrings, and carried their books in boxes decorated in the chapter colors of red and white. Each girl did at least one good deed during the day to complete her requirements for initiation, these requirements having been drawn up by a committee of juniors including Marjorie Lou Costner, chairman, Nancy Pendleton, Nancy Faison and Martha Reid.

Myra Eskridge was a candidate for state secretary at District VIII Rally. Beth Peterson was on the program as acting secretary for the day.

The Wilton Chapter held a Mother-Father-Daughter banquet during National F.H.A. Week. Their theme was "Shine on Harvest Moon — On Our Homes of Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow." The program was consistent with the theme — songs and dances of yesterday and today were dramatized. The program ended on a more serious note with a pageant—*Builders of Homes* — followed by a solo, "Bless This House."

National F.H.A. Week at Lee Edwards School Asheville

An F.H.A. project was carried out each day during the week. The closing was marked by a trip to the Orthopedic Home. A talent show was given there by the following: Gail Wyatt, Mary Sue Anderson, Betty Guthrie, Rose Marie Dunn, Libby Ballard, Shirley Clark and the "Jazz Band" of Lee Edwards. At the end of the program, magazines and candied apples were passed out to the children.

The chapter also made over fifty dollars with a talent show which was given at school. This money will be used for different projects.

On November 3, the installation of the F.H.A. officers was held in the school auditorium with a candle-light service. John Wilson, president of the student body, installed the new president, Ruth Bryan. Other officers who were installed are as follows: Jill Batts, vice-president; Betty Masters, secretary; Nelle Cherry, treasurer; Sandy Chrch, chaplain; Margo Sicha, historian; Shelby Church, reporter, Norma Slauder, song leader; and Margie Thomas, pianist.

F.H.A. Week John Graham Warrenton

Doing for others was the theme of the John Graham Chapter of Future Homemakers during National Future Homemakers of America Week, October 31-November 6.

As a part of this program, Mayor Ed Rooker of Warrenton had a red rose pinned upon the lapel of his coat at the school by Betty Haithcock, president of the class.

Sunday many members attended the Warrenton Baptist Church and sat in a group, and the chapter flower, red roses, were placed on the altar.

On Monday, as a continuation of the rose-pinning ceremony, Mayor Rooker proclaimed October 31-November 6 as National Future Homemakers of America week. On Tuesday a red rose was placed on each high-school teacher's desk. On Wednesday the girls gave the school an extra cleaning. On Thursday some of the members visited older people and carried them a favor from the chapter. Friday, during the chapel program, this year's officers were formally installed. On Saturday the members concluded the observance of the special week by acting as baby-sitters so their parents might have a night off.

F.H.A. Week, Morehead City

Sunday: Attended Free Will Baptist Church, Mrs. Florence Cordova, adviser, told something about the F.H.A.

Monday: All members wore a small red and white ribbon bow all week.

Tuesday: Put up an exhibit in Spinning Wheel Shop window on, "Families That Play Together Stay Together." Suggestions for Family Fun were displayed and dolls representing a family were seated at a

table in front of the house playing a game.

Wednesday: Packed gifts for Christmas Festival and sent off.

Thursday: Held a Sock Dance in Recreation Center. Charged one cent an inch for both feet. Everyone danced in their socks and there were several guessing contests with the winners being awarded prizes. A good time was had and a small amount of money was realized.

Friday: An article was put in the paper telling about the Future Homemakers organization. The editor did this as well as an editorial.

Endy F.F.A. and F.H.A. Join Hands for the Future

At the beginning of the new school year the agriculture teacher at Endy, Mr. Eller, the home economics teacher, Mrs. Pratt C. McSwain, came to the conclusion that the young people of the Endy community needed more social contacts together, more planning, working and playing together now, as young people, if they are to bridge the gap in their lives from "high school to marriage."

Mr. Swaringen, principal of the Endy School for the past fifteen to twenty years, joined hands with the teachers in this project and gave every student the opportunity to join this "Joint F.F.A. and F.H.A. Undertaking." At the first meeting nearly every high-school girl and boy met in the high-school auditorium for the first meeting with the F.F.A. boys presiding and the F.H.A. girls putting on the program. Two high-school teachers joined the group and later described it as one of the most worth-while projects undertaken in the school.

From the time the meeting was called to order everything moved like clock work. The business meeting was conducted in a fine and business-like manner by the boys and this was followed by an outstanding program on "Building a Better Personality." Films had been secured from the State Health Department and they proved to be very instructive and helpful. Following the showing of the film, the two teachers led a discussion on "Good Personality and Good Grooming" and the interest was so intense that you could have heard a pin drop every minute of the meeting. Eighty-three boys and girls declared this to be a meeting that was most instructive and educational and it is truly

hard to wait until the next meeting. This is the largest number of boys and girls ever to join these organizations at Endy. The interest has become so intense that films have been booked for four weeks — one good film to be shown each week to a joint home economics class and agriculture class on "Good Manners," "Good Grooming," "Successful Family Life" and "Foods for Health."

If the boys and girls work hand-in-hand now in these meetings, working out their programs and planning for the future, they should be the best adults we could ever call on when they establish homes of their own in the community.

United Nations Day Observed by Future Homemakers

A United Nations Day Service for all F.H.A. members (their friends and parents) of the Rutherfordton-Spindale Chapter was held in the Presbyterian Church at Spindale. The president's proclamation concerning U.N. Day was read. The speaker was Rev. W. H. Pruitt, who had attended a recent convention where there were several United Nations workers. The history teacher in the Rutherfordton-Spindale School was on the October program of our chapter. She gave the members an insight into the workings of the United Nations. The United Nations is one of the history teacher's sideline interests and she was able to create a great deal of interest on the part of the girls.

Bethesda School observed United Nations Day this year by entertaining foreign visitors, watching an original skit and eating from an inter-

national menu. Future Homemakers sponsored the observance and went dressed in costumes of various countries. The five foreign visitors were Mike Furahata from Japan; R. Desicran from India; Berry Hughes of England; M. M. Siddique of Pakistan; and Dr. E. Shafa of Iran.

Here's What Some of the Counties are Doing!

The first annual meeting of the Stanly County Federation of the Future Homemakers of America was held Thursday, October 7, at the Richfield High School.

The following officers were installed to serve during the coming year: Linda Barringer, president, Richfield; Jane Hinson, vice-president, Stanfield; Elaine Swaringen, secretary, Albemarle; Joyce Whitley, treasurer, Endy; Lottie Mabry, parliamentarian, Norwood; Arilla Nash, reporter, New London; Margaret Bell, historian, Badin; Ann Poplin, song leader, Oakboro.

Schools represented at this meeting were New London, Richfield, Stanfield, Albemarle, Endy, Norwood, Badin and Oakboro. One hundred and eighty members, chapter mothers and guests were present.

A fashion show and flower arrangements were high-lights of the evening. Girls from all chapters modeled charming clothes for different occasions. Hiram Saunders displayed several beautiful flower arrangements. Between the fashion show and flower arrangements the group enjoyed relaxing and group singing.

Officers of the Wayne Federation of Future Homemakers of America for 1954-55 have been installed in ceremonies at Grantham School. Approximately 150 persons attended the annual rally.

Nancy Edmondson of Eureka is the new president. She succeeds Jane Gardner of Pikeville.

Other officers for the 1954-55 academic year are: Hazel Gurley, vice-president, Nahutta; Carol Lynn Garriss, secretary, Pikeville; Peggy Mitchell, treasurer, Rosewood; Ellen Gray, reporter, New Hope; Emma Sanderson, parliamentarian, Seven Springs; Rebecca Oliver, historian, Mount Olive; Jo Ann Bryan, song leader, Grant-ham; Evelyn Hill, pianist, Goldsboro; Peggy Taylor, news editor, Brodgen.

Nahutta F.H.A. Chapter presented the program. A skit with the theme of "Personality in the Pro-

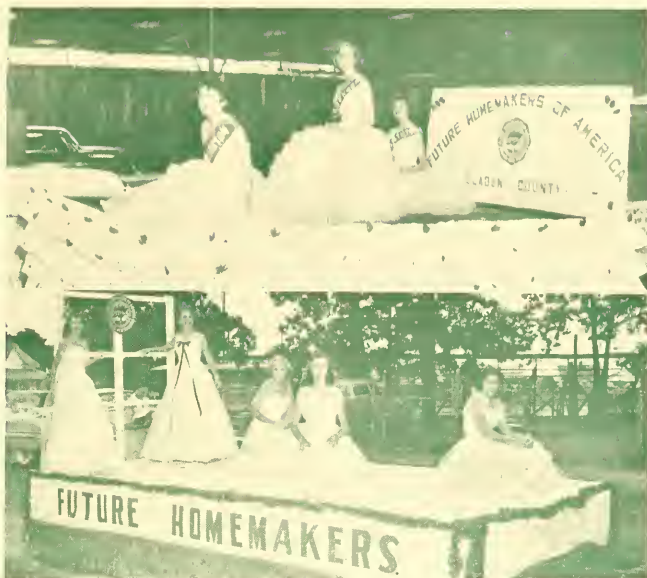
COVER PICTURE

Miss Catherine T. Dennis (an honorary member of the State Association of Future Homemakers) who has made good, cannot afford to wait until the last minute to wrap Christmas packages and to address Christmas cards. Her's is a very, very busy schedule. Although her responsibilities as President of the American Home Economics Association and State Supervisor of Home Economics are many, varied, and quite time-consuming, Miss Dennis—the typical present and future homemaker—is still able to so manage her time and energy as not to neglect members of her own family at Christmas or at any other time.

Preparing a float and exhibit, an F.H.A. Rally, election and installation of officers, have kept many Homemakers of Elizabethtown, Clarkton and Bladenboro occupied during the past week. Fifty-six chapter members with advisers attended the District No. III Rally at Williams Township. Sybil Butler of the Bladenboro Chapter was elected first alternate for State Song Leader.

Many Future Homemakers enjoyed Farmer's Day in Clarkton, October 7-8. Their exhibit, "The Dawn of Better Living," depicting life yesterday and today, was a true picture of the past and present. Riding in the F.H.A. float made of white ruffles and red roses were: Patricia Harrelson, president Clarkton F.H.A. Chapter; Annie Fulton Thompson, president Bladenboro Chapter; and Sue King, president of the Elizabethtown Chapter.

Float of the Four Oaks Chapter at the Mule Day Parade in Benson September 10.



fessional World" was featured. It was a showing, by contrast, of poor and good personality in homemaking, nursing, secretarial work and the teaching professions.

After the program, refreshments were served by the host club, Grant-ham, in the school cafeteria.

The Surry County Federation of the Future Homemakers of America is very active. The year started off with a meeting of a planning committee composed of representatives from Mount Airy, Mountain Park, Pilot Mountain, Beulah, Dobson, Franklin, Flat Rock, Elkin and Copeland schools.

A workshop for the officers was planned and carried out at Franklin School. The workshop was followed by a delicious supper served in the school cafeteria. A recreational program was enjoyed and the installation service, as usual, was very impressive.

The county rally was another very interesting event. Chapters from all the schools were present. Games were enjoyed before the Wiener Roast. After this, each school presented some type of entertainment which was very good and enjoyed by all.

RELAXER—I'M A NUT (Twinkle Twinkle Little Star)

1. I'm a little acorn born, lying on the cold, cold ground.

Everybody steps on me; that is Why I'm cracked, you see.

Refrain

I'm a nut, tch, tch
I'm a nut, tch, tch
I'm a nut, tch, tch
I'm a nut, tch, tch

2. I called myself upon the phone, just to see if I was home
Asked myself about a date; at the latest, half past eight.

Refrain

3. I love myself, I think I'm grand; at the movies I hold my hand
Put my arm around my waist; if I get fresh I slap my face.

Refrain

FASHION REVUE

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reception was held in the school cafeteria for everyone attending.

The Weldon Chapter has used this delicious recipe for a Christmas tea

one year and plan to use it again this year. You will want to try it, too.

Cranberry Punch

- 1 qt. fresh cranberries
- 2 cups water
- 1 cup sugar
- 3 cups apple juice
- 1/2 cup lemon juice
- 1 lemon sliced thin
- Ginger ale

Combine cranberries, water and sugar; cook until cranberries are very soft. Strain through food mill; cool. Combine strained cranberry juice with apple and lemon juice. Chill thoroughly. To serve, place ice in bowl. Pour equal parts of punch and ginger ale over ice. Float thin slices of lemon on bowl.

Attention all Future Homemakers!

The deadline for affiliating with the State association of Future Homemakers and the National Organization is January 15, 1955.

You may be interested to know that on Nov. 30 the enrollment for 1954-55 is 14,000 plus in 325 chapters. We do hope to reach our goal of 20,000 members and 450 or more chapters for the current year.

ANNOUNCING!

10th Anniversary Celebration of the N. C. Association of Future Homemakers — at State Convention—May 14, 1955.

Future Homemakers of America

CREED

We are the Future Homemakers of America
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope,
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking
Old and precious values.

For we are the builders of homes,
Homes for America's future.
Homes where living will be the expression of everything
That is good and fair.
Homes where truth and love and security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

We are the Future Homemakers of America.
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope.



"The homes of tomorrow are in
the hands of the youth
of today"



CAROLINE SAYS:

I like to think of my local unit of Future Homemakers as a chapter rather than a club. Somehow being a member of a chapter makes me feel as if I am a character in a volume of books. The volume in which I play the most important role is entitled North Carolina State Association of Future Homemakers.

Of course if I am a member of my local unit but never did affiliate with the State Association and National Organization I think I should call my local unit a club and it wouldn't seem very ethical to call it the Future Homemakers Club. At least as a bonafide member of the Springfield Future Homemakers Chapter — that is how I feel.



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Emblematic Materials



The National Advisory Board has recommended that the following items sold by the L. G. Balfour Company be discontinued at the end of this fiscal year.

1. Official award plaques
2. Felt arm bands
3. Felt pennants
4. F.H.A. jar labels
5. F.H.A. name cards
6. F.H.A. Christmas cards

The following items purchased from Chapter Supply Company will be discontinued at the end of this fiscal year.

1. Pep shirts
2. Sailor hats
3. Rain jackets
4. Mittens

It was recommended that the national adviser investigate a new source of supply to provide a better quality of product for the following items:

1. Treasurer's notebook
2. Secretary's notebook
3. Chapter scrapbook

New emblematic items which are approved are:

1. Honorary membership certificate which might be given along with the key or pin.
2. Guard for chapter or state parents:

- a. M. for mothers
- b. F. for fathers
- c. P. for parent

3. F.H.A. flag — It was recommended that L. G. Balfour Company be instructed to prepare a sample flag with a standard and submit it to the national office for approval.

Use of the F.H.A. emblem — a tentative report regarding proposed policies governing states' and chapters' use of the official emblem was prepared by the committee on emblematic materials. It was agreed that the national advisers secure legal advice before the report is completed and submitted to the advisory board and states for further recommendations and approval.

The North Carolina Association of Future Homemakers of America boasts a membership of 19,900 for the current year 1954-55. The membership is distributed in 455 chapters. Each chapter is challenged to action. We should be as strong in deed as we are in number.

COVER PICTURE

The value of a well-planned and organized classroom experience is immeasurable in the personal growth of any Future Homemaker. The girls featured on the cover page of this issue are home economics students at the Lucama High School and are members of the Lucama Chapter of Future Homemakers of America. The girls, left to right, are: Beth Johnson, Nell Simpson, and June Whitley.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

Each year at the State Convention the North Carolina Association of Future Homemakers of America has the privilege of conferring honorary membership on four persons who have helped to advance the homemaking program or have rendered outstanding service to the State Association of Future Homemakers of America. If you would like to submit a name for consideration by the Executive Board, please send the name with credentials to Mrs. Faye Coleman, State F.H.A. Adviser, Department of Public Instruction, not later than March 15.



North Carolina Association of Future Homemakers of America

State Officers 1954-55

President—Betty Calhoun, Seventy-First
 Vice-President—Carol Lynn Garris, Pikeville
 Secretary—Alice Parish, Edenton
 Treasurer—Margo Sicha, Lee Edwards
 Reporter—Claudette Belton, Old Town
 Parliamentarian—Nancy Christenbury, East Mecklenburg
 Historian—Judy Bowman, Alexander-Wilson
 Song Leader—Sara Eason, Franklinton

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 Carolyn Brinkley, Plymouth
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STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
 Division of Vocational Education
 Raleigh, North Carolina

A Letter from Eight Officers—Your State Officers

Dear Presidents:

"The meeting will come to order." As you speak these words, you feel a sense of pride in your position as *president* of your F.H.A. chapter.

But let's stop and think a minute. Why did those girls elect you as president? Was it because you are the most popular girl in school, or was it because you have the qualities of a good leader? Let's assume that it was the latter reason.

Now let's talk about a few of the things that help make a good F.H.A. president.

First—and I think the most important thing—the girl should be very active and interested in F.H.A. work. She should have a good personality and be able to get along with the members. She must be friendly and tactful.

Another important item for a good F.H.A. president to know is parliamentary procedure. The success of the whole meeting depends on her to a great extent; if she is businesslike, so are the members; but if she "hems and haws" the meeting is quite likely to get out of hand.

The majority of the people think that being president of an organization is just a "bed of roses." That's the under-thought of the year. The president's job is to see that the other members do the work and do it correctly. That's the biggest job of all, believe it or not. A good president can get the members and committees to do the work quickly and effectively without appearing to be overbearing or aggressive.

Of course, the duties and responsibilities of the president include presiding over the meetings and representing her chapter at other meetings and events. Her appearance should be considered also. She need not be pretty, but she must be clean and neat.

Those are just a very few of the many duties and qualities that are required to make a successful president. To all of you presidents, present and future, here's to you and your F.H.A. chapter.

BETTY CALHOUN
State F.H.A. President

Dear Vice-Presidents:

As *Vice-President*, much time and effort should be spent in preparing to accept the duties and responsibilities of the presidency. Attend ev-

ery meeting possible and take careful notice of the manner of the presiding officer. It is very important that you learn to speak slowly and distinctly. A good officer should try to stimulate interest in her chapter by bringing to the members ideas and suggestions she learned in executive board meetings and at regional and national conventions. By keeping up to date on all F.H.A. activities, she can also play an important role in acquainting the school and community with the F.H.A. program.

The vice-president must be ready to aid the president in every possible way and she should take an active part in all council meetings.

The constitution of many local chapters states that the vice-president automatically becomes president. Her year as vice-president, then, is a training period. It is also a year filled with many other responsibilities, since she is chairman of the program committee and needs to see that every member has an opportunity to serve in some way. Much of the interest and attitude of its members depend upon how well the vice-president manages her special duties as listed on page 37 of the *Official Guide*.

Always she should maintain high ideals and goals, never lose sight of them, but work and grow toward them constantly.

Doing these things should aid in developing a good officer, an improved Future Homemaker, and a better person.

CAROL LYNN GARRIS
State Vice-President

Dear Secretaries:

To be efficient as secretary of your chapter you must, first of all, be thoroughly familiar with the duties of your office which are listed on page 37 of *Your Official Guide*. In addition to this list of *musts*, you will want to apply your training from your English courses and practice good composition in expressing facts well and interestingly. You will want to be able to read clearly and distinctly. This requires practice, also. It isn't easy to record all happenings during a meeting in an organized manner—so that interpretation is easy when time is available for writing the minutes of the meeting.

Do you have difficulty in writing letters? Then you will need to work at this, too, not only on form and expression, but also promptness. There are times when fast action is required.

To hold the office of secretary, or any office, for that matter, you have to be interested in your work. I shiver to think of a person holding any important office—or any office, for that matter—due to popularity instead of capability. That could soon put an end to interest in an organization. When a person enjoys what she is doing it makes all the difference in the world in the amount of effort which is put forth and the work that can be accomplished.

I must mention that neatness helps and that politeness is a divine quality.

Let us all strive to do our very best as secretaries and I believe that each of us will feel fully rewarded.

ALICE PARRISH
Secretary

Dear Fellow Treasurers:

Did you know that many of your worries would be over if you had a budget for your chapter? A sensible, well-planned budget should be a "must" with you, for it is the easiest, most foolproof way to manage your chapter's finances. If your officers have pre-school planning meetings in the latter part of the summer, it would be well for you to work out the budget at that time in co-operation with the program-off-work committee. The program-off-work committee can inform you of the financial demand of their planned program. By following the budget closely, you should have smooth sailing from there on. A budget necessitates careful expenditures of funds and can often curtail undue expenses.

There is a wonderful guide for all treasurers to use in planning for the revenue and expenditure of their chapter on page 28 of the *Adviser's Handbook*.

There's a thought for you: Just think of what a wonderful experience it is to be in charge of your chapter's finances. One of these days you'll be dropping your title of "future homemaker," and it will be your responsibility to plan the budget for your own family. The

practice you're having now will help you in the future.

MARGO SICHA
State Treasurer

Dear Reporters:

"Know your F.H.A." and "Let others know" what Future Homemakers are doing—are two guides that most reporters could profit by following during this year. Congratulations to those reporters of local chapters, and reporters of county organizations, who have informed us about your activities by sending articles to our *State Newsletter*.

We have also heard reports that many of you have contributed news items to local and county newspapers throughout the year so that the communities are more aware of homemaking education in our high schools and of the Future Homemakers organizations.

Don't forget that school paper! I wonder how many of you work with a publicity or public relations committee?

Very newsy yours,
CLAUDETTE BELTON
State Reporter

Dear Parliamentarians:

Say, do you chapter members know the "do" and "don't" of a successful meeting? Well, what happens when they come to the spot in the meeting and they don't know what to do when a motion is on the floor? Here's their secret answer—you — their *Parliamentarian*! You are there to rescue and save them from an embarrassing moment. "It is the duty of the parliamentarian to rule on points in question concerning parliamentary procedure and assist in conducting meetings in a businesslike way to keep the constitution up to date."

It might help if you parliamentarians would ask the vice-president to consider including in one of the chapter programs a little role playing on correct parliamentary procedures in order to help the members and officers learn how to address a chair, to make a motion, to amend a motion, submit a committee report, etc.

When you are elected parliamentarian you will want to ask your treasurer to order one or two of the booklets listed on page 44 of the *Adviser's Handbook*. One booklet which could be quite helpful is: *Help In Mastering Parliamentary Procedure*. Send orders to Dr. W. F. Stewart, Department of Agricultural

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Mother, Daughter, Father and Son Banquet Held in Elm City School

The spacious dining hall of the Elm City High School was turned into a dreamy winter wonderland Friday night, December 3, as the F.H.A. girls and F.F.A. boys entertained their parents at a Mother-Daughter, Father-Son Banquet. Even Santa himself would have felt very much at home with the "Christmas" air which prevailed.

Each window was decorated with a Christmas scene using pyracantha and holly throughout. The guest table was beautiful with its centerpiece of snow-in-den driftwood with multicolored Christmas Balls. There were a variety of Christmas arrangements for the other tables. Red burning tapers furnished light for the occasion.

The toastmistress, Loretta Barnes, presided over the event. After thanks had been returned by Reverend Tommy White, Peggy Davis, F.H.A. president, gave a toast to the mothers, and Dick Tyson, F.F.A. president, welcomed the fathers. Responding for the

school board was Mr. J. M. Braswell, Chairman of the Board.

The gala event was sparkling with entertainment as the F.H.A. Sextet composed of Betty Smith, Sylvia Davis, Loretta Barnes, Peggy Davis, Louise Winstead, and Linda Wiggs sang at different intervals the "F.H.A. Prayer," "Winter Wonderland," and "Jingle Bells," and the F.F.A. Playboys, Eliza Williams, Joe Smith, J. E. Wood, rendered a couple of numbers.

Welcome to the guests was done by Mr. P. T. Fugate, superintendent of the Elm City Schools. He told the group of 200 people of the great advantage the boys and girls of today have. He further stated that he has great faith in the youth of today.

Lynn Sharpe added to the enjoyment of the event with her spectacular performance of tap-dancing to "Sleigh Bells."

Reverend Tommy White, pastor of the Sharpsburg Baptist Church, was guest speaker for the occasion. He told the group that strange

"Planning a series of radio programs to be given by the girls of home economics departments at Brevard and Rosman high schools is serious business for the group pictured below. They will present one program each month on the Farm and Home Hour on subjects related to their courses. Those on the committee include John Dellinger, program director of WPNE, and reading around the group from him, right to left: Joanne Wickliffe, Brevard; Melba Whitmire, Ophelia Searcy, both Rosman; Miss Louise Swann, Assistant State Supervisor of Home Economics; Marjorie Wilson, Margaret Heath, both Brevard; Shirley Jamerson, Rosman; Mrs. S. C. Clapp, Rosman home economics teacher; Freda Owen, Rosman; Mrs. Glenn Burrell, Brevard home economics teacher; and Dorothy Powell, Rosman.



things happen to all of us, teachers included, and that we should prepare ourselves for the future. Abraham Lincoln, he stated, prepared himself to be president, although his mother warned him that it was a noble ambition, but was not likely to happen to him.

Mr. Charlie Batten, agriculture teacher, awarded degrees to deserving boys. He informed the enthusiastic guests that agriculture work does not stop within the classroom, but goes into the boys' outside life as well. He asked the fathers to encourage the boys.

Annette Barnes, secretary of the F.H.A. chapter, told of the work and activities of the F.H.A. and the home economics department thus far this year and some of their plans under the supervision of Miss Lucile Wright, home economics teacher and chapter adviser. She awarded Peggy Davis her Junior and Chapter degrees and Lynn Sharpe a sterling silver F.H.A. bracelet for being high salesman in the Christmas card campaign. Two F.H.A. girls, Betty Smith and Annette Barnes, were recognized for working on their State Homemaker's degree, the highest degree which can be obtained in the organization.

Special recognition with a gift was given to Mrs. W. A. Flowers for her support and co-operation to the chapter of the Future Homemakers. The banquet was concluded in the real spirit of the season with everyone singing "Silent Night."

A Salute to F.H.A.

When all other clubs have vanished
And every organization has failed,
The ideals of the F.H.A.

Will always be upheld.

For, what we as Future Homemakers believe in,

Will not vanish in a year, an hour,
or a day,

But will live forever in our hearts

As a light to guide our way.

We learn to live better with our family,

As well as lead in community life;
We learn that if there is to be inspiration

In any home, it must come from the capable wife.

So here's to you, F.H.A.

And may you always find success

In keeping your home a place of love

For those whom you love best.

PEGGY DAVIS

F.H.A. President

Elm City Chapter



No, these aren't the latest fashions. They are the styles of the "Roaring 20's" which were presented at a fashion show given by the F.H.A. in Valdese, N. C. The girls are, left to right: Carol Ann Perrou, Jewel Wilson, Patricia Ramsey, Joan Michaels, Carolyn Byrd, Louise Johnson, Rachel Burns, Sandra Spencer, Amelia Bridges, Jean Greene, Charlotte Pearson, and Edith Pearson.

Fashion Review at the Valdese School

The Valdese F.H.A. Chapter presented a fashion show on December 2, 1954. The show consisted of fashions from the 20's to the present. The audience thought the most hilarious part was when the "flappers" gave their rendition of the "Charleston." Everyone of the models were beautiful especially Carol Ann Perrou and Edith Pearson. Carol Ann was chosen as "Miss Burke County" and Edith placed third in this contest.

After the flappers finished the Charleston, some breath-taking present-day fashions were presented. These fashions were from the Style Shop, one of the leading clothing stores in Valdese. The Style Shop gave the F.H.A. a check for ten dollars for advertising.

Our vice-president, Rachel Burns, did a wonderful job in planning this extravaganza. It was her own idea and she did most of the work herself. The show was held in the elementary school auditorium. No admission was charged and there was a nice crowd at the show. I can end this only by saying that everyone should have seen this delightful show.

NATIONAL MEETING PLANS FOR 1955 AND 1956 ANNOUNCED BY MISS SCRUGGS NATIONAL ADVISER

Present plans for national meetings are:

1. National Meeting, July 18-22, 1955, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa. Approximate attendance 300.

2. National Convention, July 3-6, 1956, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, Illinois with an approximate attendance of 2,500.

At the 1955 national meeting North Carolina will have a quota of five delegates and two adults. The eight state officers have the problem of electing the five delegates to represent North Carolina. At this meeting Miss Scruggs states "Delegates will take a critical look at what we have done well in the ten years of the organization and what we can improve."

F.H.A. CAMP—WHITE LAKE MAY 30 TO JUNE 11, 1955

The Future Farmers Camp will be rented again for the two weeks period. If your school closes before May 30, you are asked to choose the first week for attending camp.



DO YOU RECOGNIZE ANY OF THESE PERSONS? HONOR CONFERRED AT STATE RALLY—1948

The first Honorary memberships in the State F.H.A. Association were conferred upon four persons by the president, Betty Lou Merrill at the State Convention.

Those chosen for the awards were, left to right: T. E. Browne, State Director of Vocational Education; Miss Catherine T. Dennis, State Supervisor of Home Economics Education; Mrs. R. S. Ferguson, member of the State Board of Education; and Miss Marguerite Bullard, home economics major at Meredith College. Marguerite was the first State F.H.A. President.

FIRST EXECUTIVE BOARD MET IN SEPTEMBER 1945

Reading left to right: Sybil Johnson, Stedman High School (substituting for Peggy Tatum, treasurer, of same school); Helen Duncan, Historian, Murfreesboro High School; Sue Black, Pianist, Waco High School; Betty Lou Merrill, Vice-President, Beaufort High School; Marguerite Bullard, President, Stedman High School; Miss Mabel Lacy, Club Adviser, East Carolina Teachers College; Ida Williford, Song Leader, Central High School, Cumberland County; Betsy Lea Ware, Secretary, Reidsville High School; Miss Catherine T. Dennis, Club Consultant, State Department of Public Instruction. Joyce Weant, Reporter, Spencer High School, was absent.

RECEIVING LINE AT EXECUTIVE MANSION—MAY 4, 1946—FIRST STATE CONVENTION AFTER FOUNDER'S DAY
From right to left: Mrs. R. Gregg Cherry, Betty Lou Merrill, retiring State F.H.A. President, Beaufort High School; Mrs. Will Frances Sanders, State F.H.A. Adviser, State Department of Public Instruction, Raleigh; Bettie Cannady, National F.H.A. Officer, Franklinton High School; George Tsitouris, newly-elected State F.H.A. President, Benton Heights High School; Marguerite Bullard, first State F.H.A. President, Meredith College; Gladys Sealey, retiring State F.H.A. Secretary, Barnsville, N. C.; Mabel Rickman, retiring State F.H.A. Treasurer, Leaksville High School; Jacqueline Collier, retiring State F.H.A. Reporter, Bailey High School; Henrietta Davis, retiring State F.H.A. Song Leader, Candler High School.

Future Homemakers of America

Founder's Day—June 11, 1945

10th Year Anniversary Celebration at State Convention, May 14, 1955

We have grown in size and numbers since "Founder's Day," June 11, 1945. As we approach the 10th anniversary of the Future Homemakers of America, it seems only natural that all advisers who were with the program in its early beginning and many former Future Homemakers will begin to reminisce, and in so doing, will recall the fast-moving events in the early development of the organization.

Before birth certificates became a legal requirement many babies were given no name until days or weeks after birth. The North Carolina Association of Future Homemakers was actually born one year prior to being named. It's birth followed many years of study and contemplation on the part of teachers, supervisors, and students in all parts of America concerning the need and value of such an organization. Before its official name was selected this new organization which was born in the spring of 1944 and went into operation at the beginning of the school year 1944-45, was called the North Carolina Association of High School Home Economics Clubs.

In March, 1944, invitations were issued to all the states by the American Home Economics Association to attend a national meeting in Chicago for the purpose of initiating plans for developing a national organization of high school home economics clubs. Home Economics Education workers from 29 states accepted the invitation. Among these home economists was Mrs. Mabel Lacy Hall representing our state of North Carolina. Mrs. Hall is Itinerant Teacher Trainer at East Carolina College and Assistant State Supervisor of Home Economics Education. The American Home Economics Association and the Home Economics Service in the U. S. Office of Education became sponsors of this new organization at once.

One month later in Raleigh, North Carolina, a State Rally was held to elect officers of this new organization, and to discuss plans for formulating policies and a constitution. Approximately 300 mem-

bers and advisers came to Raleigh and the Hugh Morson High School for this Rally. The person who was elected president of this infant organization was Marguerite Bullard from the Stedman Chapter in Cumberland County. Other officers elected at this State Rally were: vice-president, Betty Lou Merritt, Beaufort; secretary, Betsy Lea Ware, Reidsville; treasurer, Peggy Tatum, Stedman; historian, Helen Duncan, Murfreesboro; reporter, Joyce Weant, Spencer; song leader, Ida Williford, Central High School, Cumberland County; and pianist, Sue Black, Waco. These officers were elected to serve during the school term 1944-45.

It would be interesting to know what followed in the professional or personal life of each of these officers and officers of later years. Would you like to read about them in the next issue of the F.H.A. Magazine? Then, an appeal is made to you readers to send such information to Mrs. Faye T. Coleman, State F.H.A. Adviser, Department of Public Instruction, Raleigh, North Carolina.



The North Carolina Association conferred the State Homemaker Degree upon Gloria Enman and Betty Goss of the Lee Edwards Chapter. This is the first time this degree was awarded. The girls are wearing the dresses they wore in the Fashion Review at the State Rally, April 3, 1948.

The newly organized State Association of High School Home Economics Clubs grew rapidly during this first year. It was affiliated with the national organization with 200 chapters and 2,473 members.

During this first year the state adviser was not a member of the supervisory staff, but was elected from the teacher group. Miss Francis E. Woolworth, then home economics teacher in the Durham High School, served the Association as its first state adviser. Miss Woolworth and other pioneers in the development of the program will be featured in Mr. Clifton Britton's production — a "panorama," commemorating the 10th anniversary of the Association which will be presented at the State Convention May 14, 1955.

In October 1944 the first issue of the State F.H.A. Newsletter brought this letter of commendation from Dr. Highsmith, Director of Instructional Service at that time:

October 20, 1944

Miss Catherine Dennis
State Department of Public Instruction
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Miss Dennis:

I have read with keen interest the first issue of the Newsletter for Home Economics Clubs. I wish to commend the effort being made to organize a Home Economics Club in every high school where home economics is taught. Such a club, when properly organized and conducted, affords an excellent opportunity to carry on social and cultural activities of first-rate importance.

Let me comment, also, the plan to organize a State Home Economics Student Club. This organization can be made a potent factor in the proper development of hundreds of thousands of our young women as they assume more and more the duties of citizenship.

You have my best wishes for the largest measure of success.

Cordially yours,
J. HENRY HIGHSMITH, Director
Division of Instructional Service
There was no State Rally or State
(See FOUNDER'S DAY, page 6)

Report of the National Projects

The national projects committee prepared the following criteria for evaluating the proposed national projects:

1. A national project should be of service to one or more of the following: home, school, community, nation, or world.

2. A national project should help to fulfill one or more of the eight purposes.

3. A national project should be one in which most chapters, large or small, can participate.

4. A national project should help to meet the current demands of society.

5. Consideration should be given to the number of national projects being undertaken at any one time which require the raising of money.

6. Consideration should be given to the amount of time required at national headquarters for the administration of a national project.

The following projects met the above criteria:

1. UNESCO Gift Coupon Plan

2. Families Together

3. Safety and Civil Defense

According to the committee, the

following projects did not seem to meet all of the requirements.

1. World Christmas Festival (The committee recommended that chapters continue to participate in the project.)

2. F.H.A. Week (F.H.A. Week is a tradition and, therefore, should not be a national project.)

The committee recommended that a new project be added — Beautification of Home, School, and Community.

Local Projects in the Rockingham Chapter

Members of the Rockingham Chapter went to the welfare department to get names of needy families. After that several girls and Mrs. McRae, chapter adviser, visited these families to see the children and understand their needs better. The white family had four small children, including a tiny baby. The father is blind; the mother rather inadequate.

The second family was a Negro family with six girls. One had been to college two years but the father

had varicose veins and needs an operation. The mother is quite intelligent and wants to move to a college town where her girls can get a college education. One girl, 16, is a senior, and one, 14½, is a junior.

We took presents, especially for the small children, clothes, including shoes, and food. Christmas Eve we went again, to take meat, fruit, and cake for their Christmas dinner.

We also bought a five pound ham. We felt very happy over these experiences as they help us to have a common bond and unite us.

For the cafeteria decorations, we went on a Saturday afternoon, picked up the holly, magnolia leaves, etc., and started making swatches to go over the arches; also painted leaves for the tables and windows.

After working awhile some of us stopped and we fixed supper, including hamburgers, french fried potatoes, slaw; for dessert ambrosia, fruit, and pound cake.

FOUNDER'S DAY

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Convention held during this formative year (1944-45) of the new state association due to wartime restrictions but there were eight district rallies held — one in each of the state's designated districts. The program was becoming recognized throughout North Carolina.

The national organization was progressing rapidly, also — a pace ahead of the states. Sub-regional meetings were being held throughout the United States, Sub-region C., of which North Carolina is a part, held its meeting at Guilford College, North Carolina, during the early spring of 1945. The first National Adviser, Dr. Hazel Frost, was present at this sub-regional meeting to work with the delegates on the many problems of this organization — on the local level, the state level, and the national level.

The sub-regional meetings was followed by a national meeting in Chicago, June 11-16, 1945. The purpose of this meeting was to decide on the name of the new organization, the purposes, the motto, the national executive council, the national advisory board, and the national magazine. It was during this memorable meeting that the name — Future Homemakers of America — was adopted for the new organization of *High School Home Economics Clubs*.



This project which the Rockingham girls are working on (in top photo) is decorating the "Cafeteria for Christmas." Back row: Martha Snead, Norma Spencer, Julia Ballard. Front row: Sarah Collins and Margie Boon.

Lower photo: Project is "Helping two families at Christmas." Left to right, the girls are: Martha Snead, Joan Hines, and Faye Capel.

Chapter Gatter

The Bailey F.H.A. girls collected outgrown clothes. These clothes were fitted to needy students in school, who could use them in their wardrobes. Approximately 40 garments were collected and many of these were reworked to fit the students to whom they were given.

Approximately 60 members of the Bailey F.H.A. attended a Christmas party on Monday, December 13. It took place at the Bailey Clubhouse at 7:00 p.m. Special guests were three chapter mothers. To add the Christmas spirit, each member brought a small gift, which was numbered and placed under the Christmas tree and duplicate numbers were deposited in a box. Mrs. Fred High gave out these gifts after the numbers were drawn.

After the distribution of the gifts, the chapter mothers were presented with small vases. Then refreshments were served and games were played. A record player furnished music. The party ended about 10:00 p.m. According to the attendants, a good time was had by all.

Aprons for Christmas were made by the home ec. girls. These aprons were stitched on the new swing-needle sewing machine purchased earlier this year. Approximately 65 aprons, designed in many colors, were made and sold for \$1 each. This money was added to the Home Economics fund to help pay for the sewing machine.

The Bartlett-Yancey Chapter members are to be congratulated for the happiness they must have given to many children during the Christmas season. Fifty stuffed toys were made by the members and sent to the local Rotary Club for distribution to needy children. A "Children's Center" has been set up in the homemaking department this year also. This addition will mean that the home economics girls will have an increased knowledge and understanding of children and how to care for them.

The Beaufort F.H.A. members enjoyed a program on "Beauty Tips" at the regular meeting last month. The program chairman, Catherine Potter, presented Jean Dixon, who gave an interesting talk and answered questions pertaining to "Care of the Hair." Miss Dixon stressed cleanliness and becoming hair styles for the individual's hair. She repeated the saying, "A woman's hair is her glory."

The F.H.A. members voted to give \$10 to the senior annual. They also voted to contribute \$20 to UNESCO, the F.H.A. national project for helping the people overseas. The fifth purpose of the organization is to promote international good will.

The Beaufort Chapter gave a dance in honor of the Morehead City members and escorts Thanksgiving night. The Scout building was decorated in the national colors, red and white. The refreshment committee served fruit punch and sugar cookies and peanut butter cookies made Wednesday by the first-year home economics girls.

The Beaufort members and their escorts contributed a basket of canned and packaged foods for a needy family. The home economics girls are laun-

dering and repairing the football suits. The girls are finding the automatic washing machine and dryer to be wonderful time and labor saving devices.

Mrs. Beveridge demonstrated making Christmas candles before the Christmas holiday. She plans to give them to the Methodist Church bazaar.

The Boone Trail Chapter of the Future Homemakers of America held its annual Mother and Daughter banquet Saturday night, December 18, at 8:00 o'clock in the school dining hall. Festive decorations were used in helping with Yuletide Season. Invocation was by Norwood E. Jones, principal. Turkey, dressing, giblet gravy, green beans, cranberry salad, rolls, coffee, and fruitcake were served by the following: Laura Lee Babb, Elizabeth Nordan, Peggy Stewart, Faye Clark, Shelby Jean Taylor, Judy Matthews, Jenny Patterson, Pat Adcox, and Gaynelle Brown. Service of the food was supervised by Mrs. Colon Stewart. Sixty members and their guests were present; also, Mr. G. T. Proffitt, Rev. and Mrs. L. T. Marsh, the four chapter mothers: Mrs. Bruce Ray, Mrs. N. E. Jones, Mrs. George Hester, Mrs. Harvey O'Quinn; and Chapter Grandmother, Mrs. Tom Cameron. The guest were welcomed by Ann Thomas. A toast to the Mothers was given by Norma Stewart. Mrs. Harvey O'Queen responded. Georgia Lee O'Quinn made announcements and presented Mrs. Ralph Hales, home economics teacher, and Mrs. Tom Cameron beautiful gifts. The Christmas Story was conducted by Lois Ray and Janet Harrington. In the cast was Janet McCormick, Elaine Nordan, Ann Mason, Cleta Stewart, Leona Bullard, Janero Johnson, Myrtle Patterson, Wesley Brown, Bill O'Queen, Jerry Baker, Bobby Thomas, Donald O'Quinn, Clyde Hester, Ralph O'Quinn, and Laura Knight. "A Sisterhood Apart" was given by Barbara Brown and "The Gift" was given by Georgia Lee O'Quinn. In closing, the group said the creed together, joined hands and sang the emblem benediction.

The Mills F.H.A. Chapter was winner in the Float Contest. Onlookers attending the Armistice Day Parade smiled, took a second look, and then gave the Mills High float a hand. Perhaps it was this that influenced the judges, or maybe it was the smiling faces of the lovely girls who were seated on the float. The float was the third-year home economics students project. This class includes several boys. Bobby Robbins was rewarded for his hard work on the float by being made a member of the F.H.A. The third-year girls and the officers of the F.H.A. adorned the red and white float. A miniature house was used to represent America's future homes. The octagonal emblem curved gracefully over the house.

Johnson Cotton Company furnished the tractor and Mr. H. B. Cottrell provided the trailer used for the float.

The December meeting was held in the form of a dance. It was held on December 4 at the Greenhill Country Club. The Country Club was decorated for Christmas in the F.H.A. colors.

From the opinions expressed, everyone had a grand time. Mrs. F. W. Wheelless, Jr., was the sponsor.

The hostesses for the dance were as follows: Helen and Martha Allen, Clinton Bunn, Annette Fuller, Jeanner Joyner, Anna Green Partin, Peggy Perry, Patricia Wilson, and Sarah Brown.

The Morehead City Chapter of the Future Homemakers sponsored a square dance in the gym on December 19. Ty Frost and His Melody Boys furnished the music. All present had a wonderful time, but the girls lost money on the dance. Too many other events were taking place.

Hurricane Hazel left us of the New Hanover Chapter with many opportunities for projects. One of our members, Anne Rooks found her home completely demolished. Our chapter collected money and gave to Anne to purchase clothes. At Thanksgiving we had a pounding and gave canned goods to her family.

We have forty affiliated members in our chapter. At one of our meetings Margaret Olsen presented an entertaining program on the homes in Denmark and England. She showed several articles her father brought with him on his recent return from Denmark.

For our first fund-raising project we sold vanilla flavoring and made a profit of thirty dollars.

Twelve members and two advisers represented us at District III Rally.

We had a very interesting Christmas program, presented by our vice-president, Barbara Rivenbark. We made apple treats, in the form of Santa Claus, to take to the children's ward at our hospital. Our chapter officers are as follows: Anne Wigg, president; Barbara Rivenbark, vice-president; Jo Easterling, secretary; Mickey McFadden, treasurer; Carol Holden, parliamentarian; Jo Anne Hatley, historian; and Annell Mohr, reporter.

ANNELL MOHR
New Hanover H. S.

The Shelby High School student body heard a lively panel discussion of current teen-age problems in December. The local Future Homemakers of America sponsored the program. The panel was made up of an equal number of students and adults, including Mr. Athos Rostan, parent; Mrs. Cecil Gilliatt, parent and former teacher; Don Howard, student; Jane Rostan, student; Mrs. Raymond Barry, parent and P.T.A. president; Charles Lampley, student; Susan Lutz, student; and Rev. Leo Rippy, parent and minister.

Mrs. Gilliatt was moderator of the panel, and as an introduction to the discussion she pointed out the importance of teen-agers living clean, healthy, happy spiritual lives now in order to make good parents and to build good homes in the future. Some wise person has said: "If there is righteousness in the hearts, there will be beauty in the characters. If there is beauty in the characters, there will be harmony in the family homes. If there is harmony in the homes, there will be order in the nations. When there is order in the nations, there will be peace in the world." Mrs. Gilliatt added that harmony in the family homes is the big issue.

Judge W. I. Gatlin, a judge of the juvenile and domestic relations courts in Charlotte, has said that there are five major factors causing broken homes, broken hearts, and delinquency. These include lack of the training for parenthood, lack of spiritual training, the problem of misguided attitudes about sex, the problem of alcohol, and a lack of "togetherness" in the modern day home.

Students in the assembly were asked to write their particular problems or ques-

tions on a piece of paper, and these were handed to the panel.

The panel members gave varied and interesting opinions on such questions as: "Are you a total failure if you do not date?" "What do boys look for in girls, and what do girls look for in boys?" "What are the advantages and disadvantages in going steady?" "What do parents expect of the person their teenager dates?" "How old should a girl be before she starts dating?" "What are the advantages and disadvantages of dating a boy four or five years older than yourself, considering the fact that girls mature faster than boys?"

The students enjoyed and were aided greatly by this open-air discussion of their problems.

This program ties in with the adult work through the Vocational Homemaking Department, on Family Relationship, sponsored by Mrs. Harriette Holton. The A.A.U.W. is also stressing the need of courses being taught from the seventh grade through high school.

The Seventy-First Future Homemakers of America Chapter had a health program during November, which was presented by Mrs. Kate Williamson and the school nurse, Mrs. R. D. Humphrey. The title for the month's program was "Community Health" and the two movies entitled "Rodney" and "Don't Let T.B. Get You Down" were shown to the girls in the F.H.A.

Mrs. Williamson and Mrs. Humphrey talked to us and stressed that teenagers were as likely to have T.B. as anyone else and she urged us to have a chest X-ray as soon as possible and to continue having them every six months.

Sheets were passed out to all the members telling the time and dates that a person can have a chest X-ray at the Cumberland County Health Department.

Mrs. Williamson said, "You are the Future Homemakers of America and it is your duty to your future families and to your community to keep yourself and others free from the dreaded germs of T.B. Have a chest X-ray regularly."

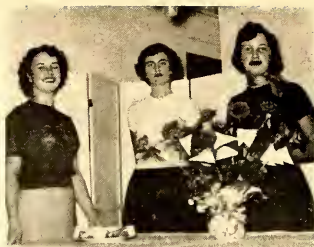
We, as Future Homemakers, would like to thank Mrs. Humphrey and Mrs. Williamson for giving us such an interesting talk on the program.

Valley Springs Future Homemakers met on December 21, at 7:30 p.m., in the high school library. The purpose of the meeting was to honor the mothers of the 65 members. Jean Bridges, program chairman, introduced Mrs. W. S. Burleson of Ivey's Department Store, who demonstrated Christmas-gift wrapping. After the program the group went into the Home Economics Department, where a Christmas tea was served. Gifts and decorations made by the girls were on display.

The chapter chose Eliada Home for their Christmas project. Instead of drawing names within the chapter they drew a name for a boy or girl at the orphanage. These gifts were placed under the tree Wednesday night.

Donna Ann Ledbetter is our president and Mrs. C. H. Rector is our adviser.

The **Gatesville** Future Homemakers have had a busy, interesting, and fruitful 1954. The way Myrna Johnson, the chapter reporter, described how each day of National F.H.A. Week was observed, gives the reader an impression that this



Top photo—Members of the Gatesville Chapter serving tea during F.H.A. Week are, left to right: Treasurer, Florence Eure; President, Gwendolyn Eure; Secretary, Anita Eure.

Lower photo—Members of the Gatesville Chapter serving up an exhibit for National F.H.A. Week.

is a happy and active chapter and that the members appreciate their homemaking department. Here is her report as published in her county paper:

"It was a busy and interesting week for the members of the Gatesville Future Homemakers of America Chapter. It was National F.H.A. Week and each girl had a part in its observance.

"On Monday a committee prepared a bulletin board for the home economics room and an exhibit which was placed in the window of Walter Harrell's grocery store. The faculty and members enjoyed a tea Tuesday afternoon. Cake and punch were served and each teacher was given an American Beauty Rose to carry back to his or her room. We did enjoy entertaining in our newly-furnished social area. It so happened that Wednesday afternoon was our regular meeting date. We planned our chapel program to be given the next day, and our adviser, Doris Mitchell, explained to us about degrees of achievement. Karen Brown and Nita Eure were in charge of the devotion, an impressive explanation of the Lord's Prayer at our chapel program. Janice Harrell, and Rebecca Langston sang the F.H.A. Prayer Song. Ann Sawyer and Myrna Johnson gave a playlet "Housewife vs. Homemaker," and the second-year clothing class modeled dresses they had just completed. The freshmen girls were a little disturbed on Friday because that night was the annual initiation party planned by Betty Lou White, Edna Mae Wilson and Janice Harrell. It turned out to be fun for all."

LETTER

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Education, Ohio State College, Columbus 10, Ohio. Send cash with order—15c per copy unless order is in lots of 10 or more to one address—then the cost is 10c per copy. When every member uses correct parliamentary procedure a meeting will proceed with greater ease and much more can be accomplished once this technique has been mastered.

NANCY CHRISTENBURY
Parliamentarian

Hi Girls,

I am Judy Bowman, a senior at Alexander Wilson High School, Graham, North Carolina, and your State Historian. Since that big and exciting day last April 3, when I was installed to the office of historian, I have led a very active life in F.H.A.

As you know from your *F.H.A. Manual*, the duties of a historian are to keep an accurate history of the organization and to compile all material for and be the custodian of the State Scrapbook.

Along with this, I have had the privilege and honor of helping organize the District Rally at Madison High School. After the plans were completed, I waited for the day when I could see them materialize. I was quite excited because it was my duty to preside, this being one of the biggest responsibilities of a state officer.

Last summer I had one of the best times I can remember at the Southern Regional Convention at Daytona Beach. Each girl was expected to bring back to her chapter and district some of the ideas expressed there. It was my privilege to relate some of the experiences of the week to the North Carolina Vocational Home Economics Teachers.

My term of office has been filled with many exciting events and I feel that I have benefited a great deal by serving as your State Historian. Meeting and getting to know so many of you has been most pleasant.

Best wishes,
JUDY BOWMAN

Dear Song Leaders:

When I was asked to offer some advice to song leaders throughout

North Carolina, I had an inspiration and for four hours I worked on a little playlet entitled "Advice to Songbirds." The characters include such stars of the musical world as Sophie Tucker, Louis Armstrong, Liberace, and the late, late Beethoven. You can secure a copy of this skit by writing to me or to Mrs. Coleman, State F.H.A. Adviser. The advice given in the playlet, however, is listed below:

A song leader should know how to read music and have a bit of singing voice—one that will carry tunes.

A good strong voice that carries far will be an asset.

Being able to accompany the singing on a piano would certainly prove valuable.

In leading a song, a person should be familiar with it.

To serve actively on the recreation committee of your chapter will make for improved recreational programs and wholesome attitudes on the part of the members.

When introducing a new song, one should go over the words and tune several times with an audience.

Personality counts, too.

You need to have some drive and force when leading singing. Be able to lead the beat with your hands.

I sincerely hope the above hints will prove helpful to you fellow song leaders.

SARA FRANCIS EASON
Song Leader

Civil Defense Project, "CONELRAD"

Miss Lois Oliver, Assistant National Adviser, Future Homemakers of America, sent to the state advisers the following letter of information about "Conelrad" and she explains just what you can do in your chapter:

We advisers in the national office and representatives in the Federal Civil Defense Office have put our heads together and come up with a civil defense project that everyone can do, and we think, enjoy. Best of all, it doesn't take any money and is related directly to the home and the safety of its members. This project is called "Conelrad."

As you know, Conelrad is the only safe broadcasting system yet devised to keep us informed of important civil defense news and instructions without helping enemy bombers reach their targets. There is a booklet, *Conelrad*, which explains this broadcasting system completely. There are also stickers with which every family can mark their radios to tell them where to tune in.

I feel that it will be rather late to wait until the next issues of *Teen Times* and *Chatterbox* to get information on this project to you; therefore, I am including suggestions to chapters for carrying out this project so that you may use it as you

have the opportunity and feel it is desirable.

Here's how an F.H.A. or N.H.A. Chapter Civil Defense Committee might proceed with this project:

1. Get a sufficient number of copies of the leaflet, *Conelrad*, and radio receiver dial markers (90 markers to each book) for every home in the community. These may be secured from your local Civil Defense director or, in instances where he does not have them, from your State Civil Defense Director.

2. Find out from your local civil defense office or radio station which frequency (640 or 1240) will be used in your community. The two officially designated CD frequencies — 640 and 1240 kilocycles — are marked as 64 or 124 on most radio dials.

3. Have a chapter meeting to inform all members of "Conelrad" and to let them know how the project might be carried out.

4. Divide the homes in the community into areas and let members volunteer to go to certain areas to deliver the Conelrad leaflets and the radio receiver dial markers.

5. Place an article about this project in the local newspaper several days before the house to house calls begin.

Suggested Newspaper Article

FUTURE HOMEMAKERS (OR NEW HOMEMAKERS) WILL KNOCK AT YOUR DOOR

The civic-minded Future Homemakers (or New Homemakers) of America will call at your home within the next few days. They'll bring you a booklet, *Conelrad*, which tells you about the Conelrad system of Public Emergency Broadcasting, one of the surest and fastest ways of getting word to you in case of an enemy attack.

The F.H.A. (or N.H.A.) lads and lassies will also give you a sufficient number of radio receiver stickers to mark your AM radio dial on every radio in your home and in your car.

Learn about Conelrad and mark your radios. Then when you need authoritative civil defense information in an emergency, you'll know where to tune in.



The First F.H.A. Rally in District V—1944-45. Front: Jean Grey Delancy, Mrs. Furgerson, Ann Miller, Louise Lane, Miss Edwards, Miss Watkins.

Future Homemakers of America

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We are the Future Homemakers of America
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope,
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking
Old and precious values.

For we are the builders of homes,
Homes for America's future.
Homes where living will be the expression of everything
That is good and fair.
Homes where truth and love and security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

We are the Future Homemakers of America.
We face the future with warm courage.
And high hope.



"The homes of tomorrow are in
the hands of the youth
of today"



DIRTY DISHES

Thank God for dirty dishes;
They have a story to tell:
And by the pile I have,
We must be living well.

While people in other countries are starving,
I haven't the heart to fuss,
For by the stack of evidence,
God's very good to us.

—Written by a high school girl in New York.

It has been said that there is no end to what one can
accomplish so long as he cares not who gets the credit.

If I take your money, you are poorer; if you take my
money I am poorer. But if you have an idea and I have
an idea and we exchange them, we are both the richer
for the idea and the experience.



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Have You Earned Your Junior and Chapter Homemaker Degree?

If so you will want to begin early next year setting up goals for work on the State Homemaker Degree. Please be guided by the following instructions:

1. Write to the State F.H.A. Adviser requesting application forms. *A Declaration of Intention form with Application 72b3 will be mailed to you.

2. You are to fill out the Declaration of Intention Form and return to the State Office not later than November 15th.

3. When you have declared your intention to work toward the degree you begin right then setting up your goals and planning activities and experiences which will help you meet these goals.

4. You will be notified the date for sending your application forms and reports to the state office (usually this date is one month prior to the date of the State F.H.A. Convention).

5. A State Degree Committee evaluates the reports and the applicant is notified whether or not she will receive the award.

NOTE: This year a number of requests for application forms came to the office as late as January and February. These requests could not be filled. Because thoughtful planning is essential in earning this degree, the deadline date for filing the *Intention* is November 15th. If you are interested it would be advisable to discuss *now* with your adviser your desire so that a request can be made early after school opening next fall.

COVER PICTURE

It seems appropriate as we make plans to visit the capital city May 14th for the annual State F.H.A. Convention and our 10th anniversary celebration to feature on the cover page of the issue a scene of our State Capitol Building in Raleigh, N. C. Of North Carolina's Capitol Gutzon Borglum, the famous sculptor, once said: "I consider that there is no building in the country of its size which for color, for care in construction, and purity of style, is its superior."

Morehead FHA Entertains

Seventy-five members and their mothers attended the *Morehead City F.H.A.* Buffet Supper in the school library on March first. The F.H.A. theme was carried out in the decorations and the program. White mats with red letters and a red rose were used on the individual tables while on the main table was used a centerpiece of white gladiolas and red camellias. The menu consisted of Chicken Salad, Candied Sweet Potatoes, Lima Beans, Hot Rolls, Relishes, Iced Tea, Jello with Whipped Cream and Cup Cakes which were topped by the letters, F.H.A. in red.

For the program, Deanna Ballou led in a number of songs; a group consisting of Mildred Whealton, Thelma Midgett and Jean Ingram, sang two numbers. Patsy Holt conducted two stunts in which both mothers and daughters participated. The Emblem Service was presented by eight freshman members dressed in white blouses and red skirts against a white background: Fanella Cooper, Sabra Eubanks, Priscilla Ebron, Jessie White, Faye Jones, Jean Brown, Hilda Morton and Jane Oglesby. Beadie Lewis, president, announced the program in clever rhyme.

STATE HOMEMAKER DEGREE

Standard 1. Has held the Chapter Homemaker Degree for at least one year prior to the conferring of the State Homemaker Degree.

Standard 2. Has a 2-year record of active membership in a local chapter.

Standard 3. Has satisfactorily completed at least 2 years (4-semesters) of Homemaking Instruction.

North Carolina Association of Future Homemakers of America

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What F.H.A. Has Done For Others—It Can Do For You!

Just read this letter written by Sylvia Jolly, President of the Roseboro Chapter

Dear Mrs. Coleman:

We think we have a wonderful and inspiring story to tell you about how the Roseboro home economics girls have organized such a large new chapter of Future Homemakers.

We began our year's work the very first week of school. We had a call meeting of all the home economics girls and Mrs. Williams explained the purposes of the organization as well as how many officers we had to elect and the duties of each. A nominating committee was selected and a meeting was set for one week later in order to elect our officers.

With the election of the best officers and chapter mothers a chapter could ask for, we immediately began working. The president had several call meetings of all the officers to inform each of her responsibilities and duties. We set the third Friday in each month as F.H.A. chapter meeting date. We made large attractive posters of F.H.A. plans, purposes, motto, emblem, fall meetings and placed on the hall bulletin boards each week. The membership drive was on! The whole school was aroused. You could hear students say "What is F.H.A.?"—"Who can join F.H.A.?" "Are you going to join this new club, F.H.A.?" Well, that was the kind of conversation we wanted to hear.

By the October meeting we had sixty-five members and most of them were paid members. We were off to a big start. The girls were very much interested and were willing to help out in any way possible.

Very soon committees were appointed: program committee and ways and means committee and others. Five girls are responsible for the program each month, and the programs have been both informative and entertaining. Examples are: A program about our Na-

tional and State F.H.A. officers and the work they are doing—informative. Another was a most interesting program carried out like the TV program "I Have a Secret." The secrets were related to funny happenings in home economics classes.

Our ways and means committee has really put us to work since Christmas. Each day during the week of mid-term exams, ten girls were to make candy or cookies to be sold in the home economics room. Most of the days the candy was gone before the bell rang for school to begin and we were already making fast money. We made around \$25 on the project. Then we sold 200 boxes of all occasion cards in one week and cleared \$120. One F.H.A. member sold 23 boxes and she received a gift. Now we have money to buy a gavel, emblem, and many other things a new chapter needs.

We think our Christmas party is worth mentioning, too. We had a covered dish buffet dinner, and every member plus two chapter mothers were present. The food was wonderful! Each girl prepared her own dish with maybe a tiny bit of help from mother. We had a talent show, exchanged Christmas gifts, and sang Carols. We plan to have a spring social soon and invite our mothers.

Now as we have passed the half-way mark for this school year, we are very confident that "We are facing the Future with warm courage and high hope."

Respectfully,
Sylvia Jolly
Roseboro F.H.A. President

Be sure to read about Betty Leigh's home project and how it affected the lives of many in her community. The story will appear in this magazine—November 1955 issue. Betty is a member of the Roseboro F.H.A. Chapter.



The first grade children at C. G. Credle School in Oxford hold with pride animals made by the homemaking girls from Oxford High School. The first graders cut the patterns and brought nylon hose for stuffing.



The Children's Play Center in the Bartlett Yancey Home Economics Department is the result of the co-operative efforts of the homemaking pupils—through F.H.A. projects, class projects, and individual projects. With the addition of this "Center"—and children in the department—the Child Development and Family Relations units have new meaning.

Future Farmers, Future Homemakers

Honor Parents at Richlands Dinner

Before an enthusiastic gathering of parents, teachers and guests, the Future Homemakers of America held their annual Mother and Daughter and Father and Son Banquet at the Richlands High cafeteria at 7 o'clock Friday evening March 11.

The delicious dinner was accompanied with a question and answer game conducted by Richard H. William. After the food had been served, vice-president Roy Jones of the F.F.A. announced the program for the evening.

In quick order followed a toast to the parents by Betty Jarman, a response by Jeff Brinson, a solo rendered by Yvonne Huffman, accompanied on the piano by Frances Jarman, and the recognition of guests by Mrs. Clara Reid.

An amusing skit lampooning mothers-in-law then followed with Judy Horne and Kenneth Barbee in the starring roles.

Rev. Brisson of Richlands Christian Church added a serious note to the affair by urging all East North Carolinians to do something about the unattractiveness of the surrounding areas. He said that the countryside needed a conservation and reclamation program to restore the beauty that was once evident. This lack of beauty is what is contributing to local boys shying away from farming, claimed Rev. Brisson.

County Superintendent I. B. Hudson disagreed with Rev. Brisson. Hudson felt that many boys are taking up farming. He then proceeded to tell the audience how he loves farming and actually is a man of two vocations, teaching and farming. Hudson closed his remarks by humorously stating that when he makes enough money teaching, he will return to the farm.

Mrs. Clara Reid awarded the Betty Crocker-Better Homemaker award to Annis Huffman of Richlands who will compete for state honors in the near future.

President Betsy Kesler of the F.H.A. presented Junior Homemaker Degrees and pins to Linda Brinson, Edna Horne, Judy Horne, Mary Alyce Newbold, Anne Fendeln, Nancy Fountain, Carolyn Kinsey, Nelva Sandlin and Ruth Dixon Hood. She also bestowed

Chapter Homemaker Degrees on Elizabeth Pittman, Shelby Pittman, Audry Pittman and Betty Lou Jarman.

Raeord Hudson was awarded a \$25 dollar war bond for excellence in supervised practice in school agriculture. R. H. Williams made the presentation for E. W. Taylor who was unable to attend. Hudson was praised for his genuine interest in wanting to become a future farmer.

Lamar Heath and Jim Hudler portrayed two country boys in the city for the first time in a skit entitled "Green As Grass." The play, written in a humorous vein, showed the farm boys, awed and confused by the big city, quitting it and returning to the quieter and simple way of life.

Principal E. W. Morgan of Richlands High said a few words complimenting the group on its excellent work. R. H. Williams ended the program by initiating a well-deserved round of applause for the women who prepared the food.

Old Mother Goose Motif at Broadway FHA Affair

Old Mother Goose was in prominence in the decorations and appointments in the Broadway School Cafeteria when the members of the Broadway Chapter entertained at a banquet to honor their mothers. The motif was further accentuated in the menu and program.

On the walls of the cafeteria were large, colorful cardboard characters from Mother Goose Nursery Rhymes. The guest table was centered with a large pie with "four and twenty blackbirds" peeping out. On the other tables were centerpieces of standing Mother Goose characters, balloons, candles, and paper grass, giving a carnival effect.

An elaborate menu consisting of Cock Robin (tomato juice); Humpty Dumpty Potatoes (Potato Salad); Jack's beans (string beans); Peter Piper Pickled Peppers (crabapples); Polly's tea (iced tea); and Jack Horner's pie with Jack Frost (cherry pie with ice cream) was served by girls from the eighth grade.

Mistress Mary Quite Contrary (Betty Anne Thomas), our F.H.A. President, served as Toastmistress. After the Invocation all of the girls stood and repeated in unison the F.H.A. Creed. Little Miss Muffet (Josephine Patterson) welcomed our mothers and the Queen of Hearts (Mrs. Clayton Thomas) responded. Then everyone enjoyed the game of "Mother Goose Fantasy."

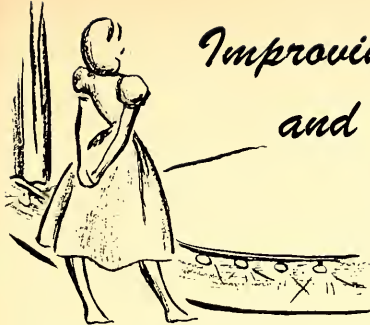
During the meal Mother Knows and Faith of Our Mothers were sung by a quartette from our chapter. Also the poem "Mother Is Always Right" was recited by Patty Sue Mize. Little Harry Stevens did some singing and tap dancing. Old Mother Hubbard (Mrs. Hal Thomas) talked on What My Daughter Means To Me and Little Bo-Peep (Laura Jane Thomas) responded with What My Mother Means to Me.

The Story Book Ball, a Mother Goose Selection, was sung and acted out by Margie Smith, Doris Jean Davis, Mary Jo Pattishall, Adelle Thomas, Nora Douglas, and Margaret Ann Kelly, accompanied at the piano by Quincey Arnette. Our banquet was closed with the singing of the F.H.A. Prayer Song.

There were 100 in attendance at our banquet. Mrs. John Womble is our adviser. Our chapter has 54 members. Our officers: Betty Anne Thomas, President; Barbara Taylor, Vice-President; Lillian Sloan, Secretary; Janet McNeil, Treasurer; Dorothy Smith, Reporter; Dot Thomas, Parliamentarian; Margaret Sloan, Historian; and Song Leader and Pianist Josephine Patterson and Quincey Arnette.

An attractive corner where Future Homemakers can read about F.H.A.'ers and collect program ideas. This is a scene in the home economics department in the Weldon School.





Improving Personal and Family Living by "Degrees"

If examples help — then "help yourself" to reviewing the selections listed below. The statements selected to serve as examples are taken from the reports of many applicants for the State Homemaker Degree.

The tables which some applicants used in reporting are not easy to reproduce here, but it is hoped that you get a general idea of how the reporting can be done without sacrificing the initiative or originality of the individual applicant.

Standard I through III are more or less factual, or statistical but should you be interested read the section of Degrees on the inside cover of this issue of the magazine.

Under all the standards each individual statement is taken from a different applicant's report with only a few exceptions.

Standard 4. Has held responsible positions in connection with school and chapter activities.

Responsibility — Delegate to Student Council Conventions, Date—1952-54.

Quality of Contribution — This was another time for me to represent our school and bring back new ideas to them. Also, I got to meet many people from other schools. These really have added interest to my high school life, just like the F.H.A. Conventions have done."

"I am co-chairman of a music committee in our chapter. We are having song books made of F.H.A. songs. This, we hope, will encourage singing more."

In home room I have been the secretary for two years. Aiding the teacher by calling the roll when requested, filling out records, and sending sympathy cards to members of the class. Responsibility: Presided over Panel Discussion in Chapel

Date: 1954

Quality: Gave everyone a chance to contribute. Outlined discussion for panel members

For the Citizenship Week project I worked cleaning the tables and chairs, shelves, and windows in the library. We polished and washed all these things in the library. Also, I made fifty out of the eight hundred book marks that we made. Responsibility: Vice-president of Student Council

Date: 1954-55

Quality of Contribution: In addition to assuming the duties of the president when he is absent, the vice-president is chairman of the homeroom representatives. She is co-editor of *The Gavel* the Student Council's weekly bulletin. The vice-president is a member of the committee to compile the School Scrap Book."

Signed by.....

Standard 5. Participates effectively in community activities which contribute to better family life.

Community Activity: Daily Vacation Bible School

Date: July, 1954

Quality: Led Bible School songs and choirs

Community Activity: Volunteer Work

Date: October 1954

Quality: Stayed with a bereaved family of mother, small son and daughter for four nights, keeping up the work and doing what I could for them

Community Activity: "Poplar Ridge Friends Center", (Church Activity Building)

Date: October, 1954

Quality: Cleaned four times. Cleaned all silverware and rearranged in order.

"I am a member of the West Asheville Presbyterian Church and have carried out the following activities in connection with it:

"1. I am pianist for the Junior Department during Sunday School and assistant teacher of the Junior Girls.

2. I am a member of the Presbyterian Youth Fellowship (PYF) of my church and have held or do hold the following offices: Secretary, Vice-President and Program Chairman, and Chairman of the Christian Faith Commission.

3. For the past two summers I have been a Bible School helper and pianist in the Primary Department.

4. I am a member of the Adult Choir which sings during morning services.

5. I act as a substitute pianist for Prayer-meeting on Wednesday nights and once I played for the evening service in a duet with the organ.

Standard 6. Participates in an outstanding way in activities provided for in the State F.H.A. program of work.

Activity: Read *Teen Times* and *N. C. Future Homemakers* magazine

Quality of Contribution: Learned about F.H.A. and how others work in it.

Activity: Attended County Leadership School

Quality of Contribution: Served as delegate and attended discussion group. Also, was on welcoming committee to the visitors.

Activity: Attended the Southern Regional Meeting, Daytona Beach, Florida

Quality of Contribution: Have participated in local, county, and district programs to give to other F.H.A. members the benefit of some of the things which we learned attending the meeting. Such as, ways of working in

groups, program ideas, and pointers on improving family living.

Activity: Participated in Career Day

Quality of Contribution: Investigated job opportunities requiring homemaking training. Decided on a Home Economics Career.

Activity: Have a pen pal in Norway.

Date: 1955

Quality of Contribution: Learn about conditions in Norway and exchange recipes.

I attended F.H.A. Camp during summer of 1954. Served on camp council. Willingly attended the leadership group and participated in discussions. Helped to interpret camp policies to members in my cabin and took an active part in sports.

Standard 7. Has assumed responsibility for some worth-while homemaking activity for a period long enough to show definite improvement.

I have taken over the family devotions. I ask different members of the family each morning to read from the "Upper Room" (a church magazine). This only takes about 5 minutes and seems to draw our family closer together as well as to begin each day with communion with God.

I make some of my clothes. This is an outgrowth of training in Home Economics and especially of a home project I carried out in Home Economics II. This project was making night clothes. Since then I have made other garments which show a decided improvement in sewing. I select the materials and patterns and try to keep in mind the idea of good quality as well as economy. I also select the accessories for my clothes. This responsibility saves my mother much time and gives me needed experience for future years.

My Mother works away from home so the responsibility of the house work falls to me. Usually the work would take most of the day until I worked out a schedule to save time and energy. Before I worked out my schedule I wasted time in washing dishes and washing clothes, also I wasted time when I vacuumed because I would dust before I vacuumed and spread dust over the furniture all over again. Another thing that I learned was I really didn't have to sleep all morning. Sleeping only made me drowsy when I slept late, and also it got too hot to work later on in the morning. Another thing I learned was

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Pictorially

Speaking



Harriet and Rebecca Springs are sisters and Future Homemakers at the Mount Holly School. As one of their summer projects they dried foliage and flowers from their summer flower garden to use in arrangements when fresh flowers are not available. (Read more in Chapter Chatter.)

Future Homemakers of the Lowe's Grove School in Durham County planned a special program for Assembly on February 23rd in Observance of Brotherhood Week. Included in the Forum reading from left to right are: Loretta Hillard, President; Mr. Gutieney, El Salvador; Mr. Bhattacharya, India; Mr. Ochi, Japan; Dr. Takeshima, Japan; and Sandra Hamm, Program Chairman. See Chapter Chatter.

The Future Homemakers of William R. Davie School and some of the chapter mothers met in the home economics department under the direction of Mrs. Annie S. Hyde, F.H.A. adviser, to mend over 200 articles of clothing collected by the P.T.A. during a recent clothing drive. (For details and for names see Chapter Chatter.)

Portraits of Growing Chapters

We've a story to tell — we Future Homemakers — and the more convincingly our tales are told the more we will grow and grow — the more interesting the activities the more emphatically our tales can be told — and sold.

Take the many-fold activities of the Bartlett-Yancey Chapter, and the Mills Chapter, and the Mount Holly and many others.

From the Bartlett-Yancey Chapter —

1. An exhibit at the Danville Fair earned for the F.H.A. Chapter some good publicity as well as a financial reward. \$35 was received. Now we are the proud owners of a 57 piece set of hand painted bone china.

2. "Are you planning to sell pansy plants again this year?" people around were asking and then added "I hope so. They were so fine last year." \$40 was cleared. More could have been sold but due to a shortage of plants some orders had to be canceled. The plants were ordered in lots of 25-50 at cost and were sold at the florist price.

3. In December the F.H.A. members had charge of the devotion at a P.T.A. meeting. Janice Powell, who is working on her Chapter Degree told in her words the story of the Birth of Christ as taken from the second chapter of Luke. This was followed by the impressive presentation of the Lord's Prayer—voice of a girl in prayer, voice of conscience off-stage and closing with a member singing the Lord's Prayer. The harp was used for music.

The following Sunday we had this same program in church except for a few changes. This program was requested. Many people spoke of the worshipful atmosphere and expressed their appreciation for this type of work being done by the homemaking girls.

4. Ann Aldridge, who attended the Regional Meeting of Future Homemakers at Daytona Beach, Florida, reported the meeting and her experience during the week of the meeting in a radio program. The people of Yanceyville were generous in their praise of this program.

5. For a P.T.A. program members of the F.H.A. Chapter demonstrated a regular class experience in the Child Guidance unit. A panel discussion was presented followed by a general discussion with audience participation. Expressions of appreciation for our homemaking program came from parents after the meeting.

6. A five night Study Course was held at one of the churches during the week before Christmas. F.H.A. girls assumed the responsibility of decorating for this group. Among the decorations used was a large lighted map which remained in the church all week.

7. For three weeks we had a display in a store window down town of garments made in class, some were cotton dresses, wool skirts and cotton blouses, skirts and stoles, taffeta dresses, all wool lined suits, toppers, house coat and slippers to match, and an evening dress. We

used a poster for necessary equipment needed for clothing construction.

Two windows were filled with toys made by the class: kittens, dolls, dogs, elephants, monkeys, humpty dumpty, doll beds made from cigar boxes and spools and clothes pins.

8. Around 100 gathered at the clubhouse to honor the chapter parent. Valentine decorations were used and a three tier cake, punch, cheese biscuits and mints were served. All had fun dancing, playing games, singing songs, etc. The club mother sang 2 popular songs. Present were the principal, faculty, Carolina Power and Light Co. representative, adviser, 75 F.F.A. and F.H.A. and all the past and present chapter parents.

9. Nell Walker really received recognition when she made the wedding gown for her sister. She is a second year pupil. It was a white satin gown with a lace yoke and seed pearls, a long gathered skirt. Nell is completing her work for a chapter degree. At present she is making a list of things we can do for civil defense and will have them mimeographed and given out at our next meeting. She is also planning to get a first aid kit set up for the department. Other projects have been: Redecorating her room, made a full lined coat for her younger sister and a topper for herself. For a school project she helped to raise money to buy equipment for the department. For her community project she helped to buy a trash



The two pictures on the left were taken at W. R. Mills School, Louisburg, North Carolina of some of the girls who worked on a Saturday to improve the Home Economics Department, after it was built. The girls here are: Peggy Perry, Annette Fuller, and Sarah Brown. Both boys and girls worked together to clean the windows of the new home economics building as seen in the picture on the right.



SCENE FROM ONE OF THE SKITS Sociodrama technique was used by members of the Rockwell F.H.A. Chapter to teach correct and incorrect manners. How harmony in the home can be maintained in the use of the family television was being acted out when the camera caught this scene.

can for the square up town. We have had such good reports from her community.

From the Mills Chapter —

1. The F.H.A. Emblem made into a float with the home inside the huge octagonal frame being supported by youth Future Homemakers won for the Mills Chapter first prize in the Armistice Day Parade at Louisville.

2. The Future Farmers of America joined the Future Homemakers of America for a program of interpretation. The boys explained what it means to be a Future Farmer. The girls explained what membership in the F.H.A. meant to them.

3. With a new home economics building the Future Homemakers took pride in its care. Both boys (boys are enrolled in Home Economics III) and girls enjoyed washing windows and several girls gave time on a Saturday to help improve the exterior of the building.

4. Recognition was given and appreciation expressed for services rendered by individuals. This was expressed before the entire student body — following a fashion show by adults and 2nd year home economics girls.

5. A panel of adults and teenagers set F.H.A. members to thinking about doing some self-analysis during March meeting when panel members discussed such problems of the parent and the teen-ager.

From the Mount Holly Chapter—

Some interesting group projects carried out by the Mount Holly

Chapter thus far this year are:

1. Fashion Revue at *Spindle Center Fair*.

2. Participation in Harvest Festival was 3-fold:

1st. Presented a program to some 500 guests.

(a) 50 F.H.A.'ers modeled garments made in class—or had other members of family model garments made for them.

(b) Presented play "Difference Between House and Home" (Taken from *Teen Times*).

2nd. Held "Open House" in the homemaking department for the 500 guests.

3rd. An exhibit depicting many phases of the homemaking program were prepared as special projects of individuals and small groups.

The special exhibits were:

(a) Quick and Easy Methods to Make Jelly.

(b) Dried Flower Arrangements

(c) Thanksgiving Corsages

(d) Easy To Make Pocket-books and Hats

(e) Easy to Make Collars

(f) Special Cake and Salad Recipes

(g) Christmas Toys

(h) Making Candles

The exhibit remained in the department for a week. During the week 40 adults — mothers, women, came in to see the display.

3. Polio Drive — Some 30 F.H.A.'ers worked on Saturday for March of Dimes. Collected \$101.87. Had charge of school campaign. Raised \$387.00.

4. Magazine sale — Curtis Publishing Co. Profit made—purchased new equipment.

5. Bloodmobile — 22 F.H.A.'ers helped with this project. Held in Home Economics department. Total hrs. worked by members — 98.

6. Social F.H.A. II — Some 90 students and guests attended Valentine Semi-formal, Feb. 11.

7. F.H.A. Publicity — Articles appeared in local newspapers — *Gastonia Gazette*, *Gaston Citizen*, *Charlotte Observer*, *FUTURE HOMEMAKERS Magazine*, *Teen Times*.

8. An important event in F.H.A. is Brotherhood Week. Each of the six groups has a speaker who tells how, by being friendly and co-operative, we can get along better with others.

9. The second year had a party which was attended by some 90 people. The party proved to be a learning situation also. Beforehand we learned party manners and how to prepare party foods.

Chapter Chatter

Attending the **Bailey** Mother-Daughter Banquet in the School cafeteria were 143 mothers and daughters.

Part of the program was the traditional pinning of roses on each other by the mother and daughter.

The chapter members were honored by the chapter's giving them sterling silver thimbles with F.H.A. on them.

The **Beaufort** Future Homemakers of America issued a cordial invitation to the parents and friends of each chapter member and home economics student to attend the March meeting of the F.H.A. which was held in the school auditorium during activity period from 11 to 11:45 o'clock.

Dorothy Jarman was chairman of the program which included a devotional service and a fashion show of garments made by the second year girls. At the close of the meeting the members invited their guests to the homemaking department where they were served homemade cookies and punch made by the first year girls.

Donna Lewis and Jean Chadwick received sewing baskets for entering the sewing contest sponsored by Belk's. Donna made a printed pongee dress, and Jean made a nylon print, and both dresses were modeled at school.

The first aid committee for March was composed of Mary Lou Temple, Sue Webb and Bronna Willis. Care of the first aid room is the major school project of the Future Homemakers.

The F.H.A. chapter received a \$10.00 check from the Methodist Church for serving a supper to children while their parents attended the Methodist Building Fund Dinner.

Jackie Young was elected president for 1955-56. Seven officers will be elected at the meeting in May.

The care of the first-aid room committee for April is composed of Jean Cole, Wanda Jervis and Eloise Dudley.

Nina Darling and Bronna Willis will serve on the devotional and lunch committee for the ninth grade girls this week.

Pam Morris of the **Boyden** F.H.A. chapter was selected from eighty-nine senior girls at Boyden as Boyden's Betty Crocker Homemaking of Tomorrow.

She received the highest score in a written examination which tested the homemaking knowledge and attitudes of the senior girls in the graduating class.

The classes of the **B. F. Grady** F.H.A. and F.F.A. have changed for a two-week course of F.H.A. for the boys. Miss Thelma Dilday is teaching the boys and they plan to study several different phases of homemaking.

There are committees of which the whole class takes part. They are: 1—Recreation, 2—Bulletin Board, 3—Publicity, 4—Courtesy, 5—Clean Up.

The boys are to study cooking, dancing, clothing, and good manners. Several movies will be shown on these topics. Mrs. Sarah Jones, a home economist with Carolina Power and Light Company, is coming to give a demonstration on cooking. A representative from a department store in Winston is coming to give information on how to dress. Also, Dr. Powers

of the County Health Department is to come and talk.

The **Lowe's Grove** Future Homemakers of America chapter planned a special day in observance of Brotherhood Week on Wednesday, February 23.

An assembly program was held in the school auditorium with the vice-president of the F.H.A. Faye Randolph, presiding. Sandra Hamm, program chairman, introduced four foreign students from Duke University. They were Dr. Takeshima, Japan; Mr. Gutierrez, El Salvador; Mr. Bhattacharya, India; and Mr. Ochi, Japan. Picture on page 4.

Immediately following the assembly program a coffee hour was held in the Home Economics Cottage for the foreign students, faculty and F.H.A. members. Then the guests visited various classes throughout the school. They answered many questions concerning their country and customs.

At lunch, a special menu was planned, with the co-operation of the cafeteria staff. The decorations used in the cafeteria were based on the Brotherhood Week theme.

The F.H.A. girls were pleased that two of the chapter Mothers, Mrs. Joe Mann and Mrs. Monroe Hudson, could attend the program.

We, at the Lowe's Grove Chapter were honored recently when Miss Iqbal Dar visited our school. Miss Dar, a college teacher from Pakistan, is in the United States on a Fulbright Scholarship. She is an exchange student and will be here in our country for six months. During this time she will be touring many schools throughout the eastern part of the United States.

An interesting talk about Pakistan was given by our visitor in Miss Clay's room, and those present enjoyed the discussion about her native country very much.

After an enjoyable talk, Miss Dar and the faculty were entertained at a coffee in the Home Economics department.

The **Durham-Orange** Bi-County F.H.A. Rally was held at Hope Valley School, Wednesday night, February 16, at 8 o'clock. Lowe's Grove, Hope Valley and Durham High were co-hostesses for the event. A representative from the Civil Defense Bureau spoke to the group on the importance of Civil Defense. After the talk, the co-hostesses presented a talent show. Judith Hamlett from Lowe's Grove was mistress of ceremonies.

The **Morehead City** Chapter of the Future Homemakers of America met in the auditorium for the March meeting. Beadie Lewis, President, conducted the opening ceremony.

The program was given by a number of sophomores to emphasize one of the National Projects — "Families Together." Mary Lou Davis introduced the program by saying, "Families that pray together, work together and play together, usually stay together." Norma Harper, Lois Becton, Betty Conway and Betty Lou Morton gave a morning devotional suitable for a family. Mildred Lampley told of a number of hobbies families could enjoy together; Mary Leonard suggested a number of projects which could be carried out by family members together; and June Seamon and Doris McQueen demonstrated several games which could be played with improvised articles. A family council showing how not to plan a family budget was presented by Patsy

Holt, Mary Leonard, Doris McQueen and June Seamon, while afterward, Joan Seamon, Ruth Brinson, Joyce Robinson and Gloria Hall planned the family spending in the correct way. Deanna Ballou, song leader, then led the group in a number of songs and relaxers which the family might sing together.

Some 90 second year F.H.A.'ers of **Mount Holly** Chapter and their guests celebrated Valentines Day with that special occasion, our semi-formal.

We were delightfully entertained by: 1. Pantomimes of Red Buttons and the McGuire Sisters.

2. Special music by F.H.A.'ers and guests.

3. Play "The Family Meets the Wife" presented by some second year girls. (10 minutes)

Everyone was served cold plates and punch by first and third year girls.

Junior Homemaker Degrees were conferred upon three members of the **Norlina** Chapter of Future Homemakers of America by Mrs. W. K. Delbridge, sponsor, at the regular monthly meeting of the chapter in the school auditorium on Tuesday.

Receiving the degree were Alice Marie Rooker, Phillis Norvell and Nancy Stevenson.

Following the presentation of the degrees a program displaying the talent of many of the girls was given. Ann Hagen dramatized "Mary Had a Little Lamb." Gwen Lloyd, Betty Read, Lillie Denton and Carolyn Salmon sang "Sincerely," with red carnations as a part of the emphasis upon the song. A quartet composed of Elsie Nau, Shirley Holtzman, Evelynna Martin and Martha Bowers sang "Twelve-De-Dee." Another highlight of the show was the acting of Ellen Fuller, Faye Draffin, Annice Perkinson and Phillis Norvell in presenting "The Naughty Lady of Shady Lane."

In the **Red Springs** Chapter of the Future Homemakers of America this month the program was on "Using Your Time Wisely." The auditorium was in darkness with a large clock with glowing numbers on the stage. Voices were heard over a microphone through the darkness. Then a light was shone on the face of an Indian girl to stress using your time for others. Next a light brought a picture of Christ into view to stress using your time for Christ.

Thursday night, February, 10, was the scene of a gay and rather unusual party. The party was given by the Future Homemakers of America Club of Red Springs High School and approximately 50 girls attended. The part was out of the ordinary because it was a costume party and almost every girl was dressed differently. Among the varied costumes were cowboy outfits, a tramp, a Japanese, a gypsy, a pirate, Martha Washington, Frankie and Johnny, a hobo, a fairy, a Hawaiian (grass skirt and all), a "cool cat," Little Miss Valentine, and many other interesting outfits.

We do not have Emily Post around to tell us how to do or how not to do things, so the **Rockwell** F.H.A. Club presented a program of skits which dramatized the right and wrong way to engage in various activities such as dating, use of the family car, and house work.

Since T.V. has become America's No. 1 gray hair maker, our main feature dealt

with the right and the wrong way to make use of the T.V. set. Our group acted out the state of confusion which arises when each member of the family demands to see his own program on his own channel at his own time. Needless to say this resulted in turning off the set completely, and the mother exhausted from the battle, wearily holds up the white flag.

As shown in the picture on page 2 a compromise has been worked out, with each member of the family agreeing to hear each other's programs in order to preserve a sort of peace and quiet on the T.V. battle front. Our actresses are left to right, Joan Heilig, Midgie Honeycutt, and Juanita Eagle.

Notice our stage props. A chair and a large piece of paper is the T.V. Chairs were used for the couch.

Here is hoping that this is the solution to the problem of television and the return of peace and quiet in the American home.

Rolesville F.H.A. girls presented the play *The Secret In The Old Attic* in the school auditorium at 8:00 p.m. Friday night, March 18. Each year the F.H.A. girls present a play with an all-girl cast to raise money for department activities. This year they plan to spend their money for a new electric range.

The cast included: Nancy Drew, a girl detective.....Diana Renn Bess, her serious friend.....Frances Rogers Georgia, her frivolous friend

Loise Baker Mrs. March, a sweet old lady La Rue Jones Susan, her granddaughter.....Ann Mullen Mrs. Lally, a neighbor

Nancy Hines Merritt Diane, her talkative daughter

Mabel George Miss Jenner, a visitor.....Sue Pearce Effie, the maid.....Peggy Daniel

The Secret In The Old Attic is a Nancy Drew mystery in three acts. After the death of her son Philip, Mrs. March and Susan are unable to find his valuable music manuscripts. They needed the money from the sale of the music. Mysterious noises from the attic frighten them and as a last resort they call upon Nancy Drew. Of course, along with Nancy come her best friends, Bess and Georgia.

Nancy does indeed come to their rescue. Behind the old wardrobe in the attic she discovers a secret room containing the piano and the lost manuscripts. She finds out that Diane and Mrs. Lally have been searching the attic for the missing manuscripts and that Diane is the "ghost" in the attic. But perhaps the smartest character is Mehitabel, the dressmaker's dummy who "sees all, hears all, tells nothing.—The Perfect Woman."

The ushers for the play were Joanne Murray, Phyllis Poole, Marie Lewis, and Mary Garrett.

Both the F.H.A. mothers and the F.F.A. boys and their advisor, Mrs. John L. Perkinson, helped with the play. The mothers helped secure old furniture and clothing for the stage props. The F.F.A. boys erected the scenery.

On Tuesday evening, March 8, 1955, nearly 250 persons, members of the **Rowland** Chapters of the Future Homemakers of America, and the Future Farmers of America, their parents, and other guests crowded into the Rowland School Lunchroom for a barbecue supper and

entertainment. After the meal and entertainment, the group moved to the gymnasium for dancing.

The lunchroom was decorated in mingled colors of red and white for the F.H.A. and blue and gold for the F.F.A. The colors were combined in long streamers lettered with F.H.A. and F.F.A. on the tables.

The parents and other guests were welcomed by Mr. C. E. Morrison. Vocational Agriculture teacher and F.F.A. advisor. Music was furnished by the girls' trio.

The F.F.A. presented its portion of the program with the president, presiding. The purposes of the F.F.A., the F.F.A. creed, and the achievements were given. The organization motto is "Learning to do, doing to learn, earning to live, living to serve."

Two songs were presented by the boys' quartet. An F.F.A. member of the Barnesville High School was heard in a piano solo.

The F.H.A. program was next presented, with the president in charge. She gave a report of the homemaking department, which was followed by the F.H.A. creed and a revision of the skit, "Builders of Homes," closing with a solo, "Bless This House." The F.H.A. motto is "Looking Toward New Horizons." Mrs. Albertine McKellar, F.H.A. advisor and Vocational Homemaking teacher, made several announcements. The program in the lunchroom concluded with the singing of "America." The guests then moved to the gym for the grand march and dancing; punch was served in the gym.

A barbecue supper was served by Griffin of Goldsboro, with Rowland apple pie and coffee.

Present for the Parents' Night were members of the F.F.A. and F.H.A.; their advisors; their parents; members of the local school board and their wives; president of the P.T.A.; members of the county school board; the mayor of Rowland; the town clerk; and friends and supporters of the two chapters.

The Shelby F.H.A. Club appeared on the T.V. program "Man Around the House" March 23 in Charlotte. A bus was chartered and approximately sixty girls went down for the show. Mrs. Harlette Holton, advisor; Mrs. Carlyle Cornell; Mrs. Forest Wolfe, club mother; Mrs. A. C. Suttle; and Mrs. Charles Lampley accompanied the group.

The ten girls seated around the guest table were asked by Allen Newcombe to introduce themselves, and he also talked informally with Mrs. Holton about the purposes and activities of the Future Homemakers of America.

The following girls participated in various "Beat the Clock" contests: Margaret Gold, president; Lynn Sutz; Martha Reid; Nancy Rosenthal; Myra Estkridge; Rachel Dedmon; Martha Elam; and Ella Foy Suttle. Lovely prizes such as a watch, a Lincoln Library, a sweater set, and a fur muff were won by each contestant.

We were very proud of the fact that the Shelby Future Homemakers were the first live audience that WBTV of Charlotte invited to visit their new building.

On Thursday night, February 17, the parents and teachers of Shelby High School were pleasantly surprised by the aroma of fresh homemade cakes. It seems the local Future Homemakers of America had brought 23 cakes to the P.T.A. meet-

ing in the hope of making some money to send a bus to the T.V. program in which they are participating in Charlotte on March 23.

There were many beautiful cakes representing some of the best cooks in Shelby. Among them was a delicious chocolate cake made by Mrs. Roger Laughridge, the club grandmother.

Mrs. Forest Wolfe, who makes wonderful cakes herself, helped the girls in their pricing and selling.

When all the cakes were gone, the girls, who said they could have sold 20 more, found they had made a profit of 35 dollars.

The Unionville F.H.A. Chapter entertained the Benton Heights Future Homemakers on February 16 at a Valentines Party at Unionville. Approximately seventy-five members were present for the party. Recreation was led by Mr. and Mrs. Tom Morgan, and Miss Ann Ponder. They led us in various folk dances during the evening. Partners were distinguished by crepe paper ties.

The decoration committee, Helen Latham, Beckie Braswell, Phyllis Edwards and Flora Griffin (Unionville's F.H.A. President) had decorated with red and white crepe paper streamers across the ceiling, and with valentines.

In charge of refreshments were Peggy Outen, Pat Mullis, Joyce Benton, Nina Pressley and Flora Griffin. They served dainty cookies, open faced sandwiches, cake and Pepsi-Colas.

Others present were our chapter mothers, Mr. and Mrs. Purser. Unionville's principal, Kenneth Baucom, photographer and our advisors, Mrs. Kathleen Nicholson from Benton Heights and Miss Gwen Williams, advisor for Unionville.

This year in order to make money for the Mother-Daughter banquet the Waco F.H.A. Chapter decided to have a Hobo Day. On Hobo Day we were to do anything in the community anyone wanted done.

Plans were completed several days in advance. On the morning of Hobo Day the F.H.A. members came ready to go. Many of the girls enjoyed many interesting experiences such as learning to work in a restaurant, doing the family washing and washing windows for \$1.00 an hour and taking time out for refreshments. The community co-operated and agreed that it was a fine undertaking. We are sure we will try this again next year. The proceeds were \$40.00. There were about 35 girls working.

The Future Homemakers of William R. Davis School and some of the chapter's mothers met in the home economics department under the direction of Mrs. Annie S. Hyde, the teacher, to mend over two hundred articles of clothing collected by the P.T.A. during a recent clothing drive. The clothes are to be put in a closet at school and used as needed for indigent children. During the afternoon the group mended, darned, patched, sewed on buttons, washed, ironed, pressed, and even polished shoes. Refreshments were served to the group.

Shown in the picture on page 4 enjoying the sewing party are left to right, front row: Lois Bailey, Sylvia Wallace, Alice Daniel, Gay Underwood, Janice Hux, Ann Thomason. Second row: Mrs. Robert Connell, Mrs. Lillian Shearin, Martha Bobb, Ann Shearin, Mrs. Walter

Hux, Betty Mobley. Back row: Mrs. George Harrison (not visible, back of Mrs. Connell), Zettie Mae Hux, Carol Ann Hux, and Mrs. Oscar Love.

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to clean one room at a time not run from one room to another.

Standard 8. Has thought through her personal goals in the light of needs, interests, and abilities and is following a plan for the wise use of her resources to achieve her goals.

Another of my personal goals is "Learning to carry out a share of Chapter Responsibilities." In this way, I can help make my chapter a better one, learn to become a better homemaker, learn the rights and wrongs of homemaking, and take over responsibilities without having to be told. I have learned to be more attentive, co-operative, and a more active member in chapter duties.

Goal: Major in Home Economics. Choose a Career in that field

Reasons for Choice: Interested in Homemaking and homemaking activities. Visualized the importance of successful home life

Plans for Achievement: Take courses in home economics in high school. Choose a college, preferably co-ed. Practice skills in everyday life.

Progress: Has passed two years of homemaking and is now enrolled in third year. Practices homemaking skills in present life. Is considering two colleges for enrollment.

Goal: Improving my personality

Reasons for choosing: I think all of us want to be liked and respected by the people we come in contact with. Another reason why I chose this goal is when I go to parties I often feel left out and I feel if I understood myself and the others around me I would not feel this way.

Plans for achieving: I plan to find people whose personalities I admire and see what I can do to develop a winning personality. I plan to get all the worthwhile literature I can find on personality.

Progress Made: I have read a lot of the materials on personality. I have talked with qualified people on how to achieve a pleasing personality. I have found some models and have set up my standards for my ideal personality.

Goal: To help promote international good will

Reasons for Choosing: I want my children to live in peace and feel secure and I believe this can come about if someone tries to do so.

Plans & Progress: I have a pen-pal in France, Joseph Motta, and we discuss the religions and government of our different countries. I also have heard illustrated lectures about Europe especially France. This helps me to see and understand this way of living.

I want to have a good education. A good education to me means having a good High School record of achievements and four years of college — more if desirable for your occupation. A person — I think must know how to act, how to speak correctly, how to get along with others, and he must also be well versed

on most subjects and appreciate art-music-painting-literature.

I have taken the required subjects for college entrance and have tried very hard to learn the many thing offered me. I have taken all the subjects allowed each year so that my knowledge would be varied. I also worked this summer — saving my wages in savings bonds and in the bank. In other years I have saved and bought bonds to aid me during college.

Standard 9. Helps others in the community to understand the goals of a broad homemaking education program.

Activities and Individuals or groups reached: My aunts (3)

Means used: Two dresses and one skirt I made for them.

Evidence of results: They wear the dresses and have asked me to make more. They appreciate homemaking education very much.

"I am a member of the newspaper staff. One of my assignments is to cover the activities of the F.H.A. In this way I can give F.H.A. the publicity she needs."

"Babysitting is an excellent way to demonstrate the skills and knowledge acquired in homemaking. I have proven to my employers that I am capable of caring for children of nearly all ages. They do not hesitate to leave me with full responsibility."

Helping with church suppers and teas at school put the value of homemaking education before the public. I have participated in several such activities and have heard favorable comments on how well home economics students do.

At the Southern Regional Meeting of F.H.A. last summer, I gained a wonderful understanding of how individuals can improve as family members. I came home and immediately set to work at this type of self-improvement. My parents had always realized but this, more than ever, made them know how much I am learning from home economics activities. We can all see a tremendous change for the better in our family relationships.

My friends, who observe readily how much I am gaining ask me for tips on the newest cookie and candy recipes, for instance. Just this year I have heard many girls comment that they wish they had taken the course. I am doing all I can to keep their interest alive so that they will take it next year.

I have written newspaper articles, so others could know what the F.H.A. really is and what it means to each of us.

Louise Webb, an F.H.A. member of W. R. Mills Chapter, Louisburg, North Carolina, is shown receiving a presentation from Sarah Bailey at a Night Meeting in one of the members home.

Date: Winter of 1946.



Future Homemakers of Yesterday—Homemakers Today

Bettie Cannady—National Officer 1946

Bettie Cannady, the first National officer from North Carolina, is married to Mr. Perry Wheelles. Mr. Wheelles works for F.C.X. Bettie was a registered nurse of Rex Hospital and worked there until she married. She then moved to North Wilkesboro and worked in the hospital there till her first baby was born June 1, 1953. She continued to do private duty occasionally and keep house. Second child born was in January 1955 and both are girls. They moved to Macon, N. C., in February and bought a house.

Betty Lou Merrill—State President 1945-46

Betty Lou Merrill was graduated from Beaufort High School in May of 1947.

Entered freshman class at Woman's College, Greensboro, North Carolina, the following September and received a Bachelor of Arts Degree from that school in May of 1951 — majored in English. During college years served on student legislature and Greater University Council. Was staff member of *Carolinian* and the *Yearling*. College Social Chairman senior year. Member of May Court. Writer and director of Junior Show.

After graduation was employed by Army Special Services as entertainment and recreation specialist.

Taught at Beaufort High School in 1953-54.

Married July 17, 1954, to Robert L. Rose of Havelock and Smithfield, N. C.

Georgia Tsitouris—State President 1946-47

Georgia served as State F.H.A. President 1946-47. She graduated from high school in 1947 with honors. After graduation from Benton Heights School, Georgia attended Richardson Beauty School in Charlotte.

After graduation from Beauty School, Georgia worked in Monroe where she met Charles Brooks who was just out of Lenoir-Rhyne College. They were married in 1950.

Georgia and Charles now make their home in Wingate along with their two lovely children, Charles, Jr., age 4, and Janet, age 3.

Georgia is now co-owner of a beauty and gift shop in Marshville, North Carolina.

Although she works, she takes great pride in her family, and her excellent ability as a homemaker is displayed throughout her home.

Louise Ellis Webb—State Treasurer 1946-47

Louise Webb graduated from Mills High School in Louisburg in 1949.

In the fall of 1949, she entered Greensboro College. She majored in history and received her A.B. Degree in 1953. While at G. C. she took part in several campus activities:

Officer in Y. W. C. A.

Secretary of Student Association
President of Student Association during senior year

Attended the N. C. State Student Legislature several years — was reading clerk in the Senate one year

Represented G. C. at a student government meeting in New Orleans in 1952

Member and officer of several clubs in connection with history courses

Louise writes:

"I guess the month of June 1953 was one of the most important in my life so far. On the morning of June the first I received a contract for my first teaching job in Siler City and on that same morning I walked across the stage of Odell Auditorium to get my long awaited diploma. Just a little over three weeks later I became the bride of Frank 'Yank' G. Brooks, Jr., of Siler City in the Louisburg Methodist Church. My husband is a graduate of the University of North Carolina Pharmacy School and is now in business with his father.

"The news of a coming 'blessed event' changed my plans for teaching a second year and although I missed my school children I was really thrilled over a new member of our family. Our baby was due March 1 but 'little Leah' put in her appearance on January 20 shortly after the heaviest snow we've had here in years. Leah weighed 5 lbs. 3 oz. at birth and was a 'little' girl indeed, but she has gained steadily and now weighs over 11 pounds. We are mighty proud of our 'Future Homemaker' and believe me I've seen how much homemaking education can do already where 'Child Care and Development' are concerned."

Future Homemakers of America

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We are the Future Homemakers of America
We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope,
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking
Old and precious values.

For we are the builders of homes,
Homes for America's future.
Homes where living will be the expression of everything
That is good and fair.
Homes where truth and love and security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

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We face the future with warm courage,
And high hope.



"The homes of tomorrow are in
the hands of the youth
of today"



CAROLINE SAYS:

I wonder whatever became of Bettie Cannady — the first North Carolina Future Homemaker to be elected to a national office???

And what happened to Betty Lou Merrill, State President—1945-46???

And Georgia Tsitouris?

And Louise Ellis Webb?

EDITOR'S NOTE: Just turn this page for answers.

And where are all the other earlier officers???

EDITOR'S NOTE: Editor is in the dark!!!

Any information leading to the whereabouts of these F.H.A. pioneers will be appreciated. *Your* help is solicited.

